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INDIAN BANKS' ASSET QUALITY BEST IN A DECADE, TO IMPROVE FURTHER: RBI

Indian banks' gross non-performing assets ratio declined to a decadal low of 3.9% as of March 2023, while net NPA ratio plunged to 1%, it said

ECONOMY REMAINS STRONG, RESILIENT

According to the Reserve Bank of India's Financial Stability Report, released on Wednesday, the Indian economy and domestic financial system remain resilient, supported by strong macroeconomic fundamentals. The Indian economy has made solid recovery to become "one of the fastest-growing large economies amid heightened uncertainties", the report highlighted

FINANCIAL STABILITY NON-NEGOTIABLE: DAS

- "Financial stability is non-negotiable and all stakeholders must work to preserve this at all times," RBI Governor Shaktikanta Das said
- The report said profits of state-owned banks grew at a faster rate than that of private sector rivals. Also, the quarterly slippage ratio — the share of standard advances slipping into NPAs — moderated further to 0.3%

38.4%

GROWTH IN INDIAN BANKS' NET PROFIT IN FY23, LED BY RISE IN NET INTEREST INCOME

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BHIM ARMY CHIEF SHOT AT IN UP'S SAHARANPUR

NAMITA BAJPAI @ Lucknow

BHIM Army chief and national president of the Azad Samaj Party-Kanshi Ram, Chandra Shekhar Azad, was on Wednesday shot at by unidentified men in Saharanpur district of western Uttar Pradesh.

He was rushed to a nearby community health centre and later to a hospital. Police sources said Azad was in Saharanpur to attend a ritual at a supporter's place. The attack happened after Azad departed in his Toyota Fortuner.

The attackers were on a car that had a Haryana licence plate. They opened fire at Azad and a bullet brushed past him.

According to Senior Superintendent of Police of Saharanpur Vipin Tada, Azad's convoy was attacked by a few car-borne armed men. "A bullet grazed his stomach. However, he is stable and out of danger. Efforts are on to nab the assailants. The police will take strict action against them," Tada said.

Later talking to media persons while in hospital, Azad said five persons were in his car at the time of attack, including himself and his brother, who was behind the wheel. Other vehicles of his convoy were either ahead of his car or behind him.

"We took a U-turn as the assailants opened fire. Besides me, another person in my vehicle sustained bullet injury on his hand. I don't remember well but my people identified them (attackers)," Azad said. "I immediately called up Saharanpur SSP to inform him about the attack," he added.

The assailants fired four rounds from their white Maruti Swift Dzire, said sources.

The Bhim Army, in a statement, said the attack was a "cowardly act to stop the Bahujan Mission Movement". SP chief Akhilesh Yadav said if public representatives were not safe under the BJP rule, what would happen to commoners. "Jungle Raj in UP," he wrote in his Twitter post.

Bhim Army chief Chandra Shekhar Azad gets first aid after his convoy was shot at; his damaged car (R); and (inset) Azad | PTI

District border sealed

The attack occurred around 5 pm near Union Circle under the Deoband police station area. "The borders of the district have been sealed and a massive operation to track the assailant and their vehicle has been launched," Superintendent of Police (City) Abimanyu Manglik said

Security strengthened

The police deployed additional forces near the district hospital where Azad was admitted to tackle any situation. Director General of Police Vijay Kumar sought a detailed report from the Saharanpur police

Anna Bhagya turns 'Paisa Bhagya'

Until required quantity of rice is procured, govt to pay money to beneficiaries

EXPRESS NEWS SERVICE @ Bengaluru

NOT wanting to compromise on the July 1 deadline to roll out the Anna Bhagya scheme even as they face problems in procuring rice, the Karnataka government on Wednesday decided to give money instead of additional 5kg of rice to each BPL card-holder in the state as a temporary measure.

While the scheme will roll out on July 1 as decided, the government is planning to invite tenders to procure rice.

Until they get sufficient rice, they will pay Rs 170 to each BPL card-holder, which is equivalent to 5kg of rice at the rate of Rs 34 per kg. "We had promised to give rice from July 1. We need 2.29 lakh MT of rice every month. But till we get the required quantity of rice, we will pay Rs 170 per beneficiary per month," Chief Minister Siddaramaiah said after a cabinet meeting on Wednesday. The government needs Rs 750 crore to Rs 800 crore per month to implement this scheme.

BJP slams government

The BJP on Wednesday slammed the government's decision to give Rs 34 per kg for additional 5 kg of rice under Anna Bhagya scheme. "The Centre is already giving 5 kg rice and the state should give 10 kg as promised," former CM Basavaraj Bommai said | **P4**

Food and Civil Supplies Minister KH Muniyappa said they made several attempts to procure adequate rice from other states. They also sought rice from central agencies, but the rate was higher than that offered by the Food Corporation of India (FCI), which was a fixed rate of Rs 34 per kg. That is the rate that the state government wanted to stick to. Muniyappa said the tender process to procure rice will be through transparent means and any agency can take part. "We will finalise it at the earliest. We will give rice for sure, but it may be delayed," he said.

"More than 95% of our cardholders' names have been linked with Aadhar cards. Remaining will be done at the earliest. We will have their account numbers through Aadhar and the money will be credited to their bank accounts. This will not take more time and we will complete this process by July," he said. **P4**

Anti-Rahul post: Nadda, Malviya booked

EXPRESS NEWS SERVICE @ Bengaluru

AN FIR has been filed against BJP national president JP Nadda, BJP IT Cell chief Amit Malviya and BJP Chandigarh state president Arun Sood for posting an animated cartoon of former Congress president Rahul Gandhi on social media on June 17 accusing him of trying to divide India.

The High Grounds police in the city registered the FIR on Wednesday on a complaint by Minister for Rural Development and Panchayat Raj Priyank Kharge and KPCC communication wing co-chairman Ramesh Babu.

"We got the FIR registered because the video says Rahul is playing a dangerous game. More dangerous are people who are pulling strings of #Raga like Sam Pitroda. Staunchly anti-India, they leave no stone unturned to defame India overseas, just to embarrass PM Modi,'' Ramesh Babu told *TNIE*.

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HC won't quash FIR against Rahul, Jairam

The Karnataka High Court has refused to quash the FIR against Congress' Rahul Gandhi, Jairam Ramesh and Supriya Shrinate over alleged copyright infringement by using a song of movie 'KGF - Chapter 2' for the promotion of Bharat Jodo Yatra | **P4**

E-WAY
CLOSED FOR BIKES, AUTOS

Two-wheelers, 3-wheelers, agricultural vehicles like tractors, and cycles will not be allowed on the Bengaluru-Mysuru Expressway from mid-July |**P3**

Chandrayaan 3 set to take off on July 13

DONNA EVA @ Bengaluru

EXACTLY 14 days from now, India will launch its third unmanned mission to the Moon, Chandrayaan 3. Indian Space Research Organisation (ISRO) officials on Wednesday confirmed that Chandrayaan 3 will be launched at 2.30pm on July 13.

Initially, ISRO Chairman S Somnath had stated that the window that the organisation was looking at for the launch was between July 12 and July 19. However, it has been confirmed by officials that the launch will take place on July 13 from Satish Dhawan Space Centre (SDSC) in Sriharikota.

Chandrayaan 3 is the third mission under the Chandrayaan mission aimed at proving India's space capabilities. Chandrayaan 3, unlike its predecessors, will not have an orbiter, but only a lander carrying a rover and a propulsion module that will take the two up to 100 km of the lunar orbit.

ISRO scientists told *TNIE* that the launch date and time had been chosen based on a specific window. The window of July 12 to July 19 was given because of various factors, including weather, the distance of the Moon from the Earth and the positioning of the Moon in its orbit around the Earth. The specific time was decided taking calculations into consideration for Chandrayaan 3 spacecraft to make its rendezvous with the Moon after its initial earth orbits.

The launcher identified for Chandrayaan 3 is GSLV-Mk3, which will place the integrated module in an Elliptic Parking Orbit of 170 x 36500 km around the Earth. According to the mission profile released by ISRO, the integrated Chandrayaan 3 (propulsion module, lander and rover) will make five orbits around the Earth before transferring into the lunar orbit, where it will make seven orbits before landing on the Moon. **P9**

BAIR-STOWS AWAY PROTESTER

Jonny Bairstow (background) wrestles a protester to the ground while Benn Stokes and David Warner try to stop another from invading the pitch with orange powder during the second Ashes Test at Lord's on Thursday. Two protesters from Just Stop Oil ran out of the Grandstand and onto the outfield sprinkling the group's trademark orange powder | **P17** | AFP

AAP backs UCC, Akali Dal, AIMPLB to oppose

EXPRESS NEWS SERVICE @ New Delhi / Lucknow / Chandigarh

A day after Prime Minister Narendra Modi made a fervent pitch for the nationwide implementation of the Uniform Civil Code (UCC), the Aam Aadmi Party (AAP) extended its 'in-principle support' to the UCC while the All India Muslim Personal Law Board (AIMPLB) and the Shiromani Akali Dal opposed the move and said they will present their views before the Law Commission.

UCC refers to a common set of laws applicable to all citizens regardless of their religion, and deal with marriage, inheritance and other personal matters.

The AAP said while it supports the UCC, the code should be brought in with a consensus after consultations with all stakeholders including political parties and non-political entities.

"Some issues can't be reversed in future; some are fundamental issues so it is not correct to adopt an authoritarian approach. There should be a consensus. If you implement it without consensus, it will upset and anger a large number of people," said AAP national general secretary (organisation) Sandeep Pathak.

PM Modi had on Tuesday made a strong push for UCC, asking how the country can function with dual laws that govern personal matters.

Reacting to the PM's viewpoint on the code, the AIMPLB said it will oppose any such plan. "AIMPLB will oppose the Uniform Civil Code tooth and nail. We are chalking out a strategy to counter the proposed move of the government by presenting our view in front of the law commission more powerfully," said AIMPLB member Maulana Khalid Rasheed Firangi Mahali.

The AIMPLB had called an urgent online meeting late on Tuesday night, where members came to the conclusion that the UCC is neither necessary nor beneficial to the country in any way. Maulana Khalid also questioned the timing of the PM's announcement ahead of the 2024 general elections.

Meanwhile, the BJP's former ally Shiromani Akali Dal said rushing the UCC could harm the social fabric and the concept of unity in diversity.

CHINKS IN OPPN UNITY

The Aam Aadmi Party's announcement comes at a time when most opposition parties have come out against the very idea of UCC, and shows the chinks in opposition unity ahead of the 2024 elections

XPLORE Travel

Take time out to **Xplore** our redesigned back page. In today's theme, *Travel*, you have all you need to know on Sri Lankan cruises and other hot tips for holidays.

—Editor

Woman guard forced to drink dirty pool water

PRAVEEN KUMAR @ Bengaluru

IN what can be termed as an inhuman act, a 25-year-old woman security guard was forced to drink dirty water from a swimming pool at an apartment complex in the city on June 14. Employed by a leading facility management company at Rajarajeshwari Nagar, she was sent to the apartment complex on Devarachikkanahalli Road at Bommanahalli for work. She was put in-charge of the swimming pool area.

One of the residents of the apartment complex, who came to use the pool, started shouting at her after seeing the dirty water. When she told him that she was on security duty and had nothing to do with pool maintenance, he caught hold of her and made her drink the dirty water from a bottle.

Unable to bear the humiliation, she quit her job and filed a complaint against the accused, identified as Akash, in Bommanahalli police station on Monday.

In her police complaint, the victim, a resident of Hongasandra, stated that the incident occurred around 11.30 am on June 14. He even closed the gate of the swimming pool and prevented her from leaving the spot, she alleged.

The incident came to light after the victim complained to security supervisor Anikesh Chakravarthy and maintenance manager Mallikarjun. When Chakravarthy and Mallikarjun questioned Akash about his indecent behaviour, he is said to have told them to drink the dirty water.

"The complainant has stated that the accused humiliated her for no reason. She even informed the matter to the maintenance manager who assured her of bringing it to the notice of the office-bearers of the residents' welfare association," said a police officer.

"A notice has been sent to the accused to appear before the investigating officer. The victim stated that she was waiting for the response of her higher-ups to her complaint. Because of this delay, she could not file a police complaint immediately after the incident," the officer said. Meanwhile, Rakesh from the facility management company, told TNIE that the woman security guard quit her job and he has no information about the swimming pool incident.

Bommanahalli police have registered a case.

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Moonset 1.54 am

SECURITY IN PLACE

ROW BEHIND, IDGAH ALL SET FOR BAKRID

CM expected to attend; 300 policemen to man grounds

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UNLIKE last year, when the Bakrid festival at Chamarajpet Idgah Maidan was mired in the ownership controversy, the celebration this time will likely be a grand affair with local MLA BZ Zameer Ahmed Khan becoming a cabinet minister and Chief Minister Siddaramaiah expected to attend.

The dispute in the ownership of the land had led to tension last year with Hindu groups locking horns with the Wakf Board, seeking permission for other religions to hold events in the grounds.

The demands grew louder following the Bruhat Bengaluru Mahanagara Palike Joint Commissioner's report stating that the land belonged to the Revenue Department.

To avert untoward incidents, heavy police deployment was made in and around the ground.

Now, with the new government in place and the area MLA becoming a minister, the preparations for prayers this time are in full swing. As part of the celebrations, the sheep trade has been shifted to Sirsi Circle and Mysuru Road and the BBMP has deployed gangmen and group 'D' workers to clean and level the land. Tents are being erected near the Idgah wall for sermons by the Chief Priest.

"We will deploy over 300 policemen, including Deputy Commissioners of Police and Assistant Commissioners of Police, besides KSRP platoons and also install CCTV cameras to ensure peaceful Eid prayers," said B Dayananda, City Police Commissioner.

A senior officer said a sound system will also be put in place and special permission has been granted in this regard. The prayers will begin at 9 am and is expected to conclude by 10.30 am.

The last sheep on sale on Tannery Road ahead of Bakrid on Wedesday | VINOD KUMAR T

Flying squad to keep eye on slaughter violations

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WITH the city geared up to celebrate Bakrid, Bruhat Bengaluru Mahanagara Palike Commissioner (Health) Dr K V Thrilok Chandra has directed all veterinary and health department staffers to crack the whip on violators of slaughter rules for the next three days. The civic body had recently issued orders banning the slaughter of all kinds of animals on roads during the festival.

"The Palike has already issued orders. Flying squads will make rounds of the city to check for slaughter violations. The staffers have been given powers to take action as per rules. No one is allowed to slaughter animals on roads, footpaths and other places as per the BBMP's order," Thrilok Chandra told *TNIE*.

Staffers have already stuck notices and distributed pamplets at various masjids and street corners to spread awareness about the rules. "If a person is booked under Bruhat Bengaluru Mahanagara Palike Act 2020 for illegal sacrifice/slaughter of animals and Section 3 of the Karnataka State Animal Sacrifices Act, 1959, he or she may face imprisonment of six months or have to pay a penalty," said an official.

The BBMP has deployed more staff in Bengaluru East as over 40 wards there traditionally witness animal sacrifice. Community elders have also been sensitised to pass on the message to community members to slaughter animals only at authorised abattoirs.

Moulana Maqsood Imran Rahsadi, Chief Imam of Jamia Masjid, City Market, said based on the direction from the municipal corporation and the government, a communication has been sent to all masjids committees to follow the rules. "Community members will be told during the prayers that they should not slaughter animals openly and to use separate municipality bins for dumping animal waste. We will also tell community members not to share any animal sacrifice videos on social media platforms as it may hurt the sentiment of others," he said.

Idgah case: HC relief for Hindu forum chief

MOHAMMED YACOOB @Bengaluru

THE Karnataka High Court has stayed further proceedings in the suo motu First Information Report registered by Chamarajpet police against S Bhaskaran, chief of Vishwa Sanathana Parishad, for making provocative statements over Idgah Maidan land.

Justice M Nagaprasanna passed the interim order on June 26, staying the proceedings till July 18, the next date of hearing. Bhaskaran had approached the high court seeking quashing of the FIR.

In August last year, the Chamarajpet police registered a suo motu case under Sections 153A and 295A of the Indian Penal Code against Bhaskaran for allegedly stating that they (right-wing groups) will demolish the Idgah Maidan wall if the Wakf Board does not raze it. He had stated that the Wakf, which is claiming ownership of the maidan, has no documents to prove it.

Speaking to *The New Indian Express*, Bhaskaran claimed, "I have not made any statement to promote enmity among different communities. The Wakf board, which is claiming ownership of the land, has so far not provided any tax receipt or khatha in its favour. Hence, it is government land and other communities also should be given an opportunity to hold religious and cultural events there."

BMTC staff to collect feedback on Shakti

AKNISREE KARTHIK @Bengaluru

MORE than 200 Bangalore Metropolitan Transport Corporation (BMTC) staffers have been instructed to head to different routes in the city with a unique task on hand: To collect first-hand information on the implementation of the Shakti scheme, which offers free travel to women in non-premium government buses.

The scheme was rolled out on June 11 and since then, ridership of the city's lifeline BMTC has been soaring.

The average ridership, which was around 27.34 lakh before the scheme's launch, jumped to nearly 40 lakh per day. While the scheme has been hailed by women, multiple issues have come in the way of its implementation.

A conductor hands out 'zero' tickets to women passengers | EXPRESS

It has also put students and office-goers in trouble as buses are not able to maintain schedule.

BMTC Managing Director G Sathyavathi herself travelled in BMTC buses last week to check the status. She has now directed over 200 staffers to travel to different destinations to get a clear picture of the scheme's response in the entire city.

"After the rollout of the Shakti scheme, we wanted to get feedback from different types of people. We have more than 5,000 schedules every day. We wish to collect feedback from passengers and take corrective measures," Sathyavathi told *The New Indian Express*.

Malati, a daily commuter, said, "As conductors take time to verify passes and issue zero tickets between bus stops, they halt and then proceed, which increases the journey time. During peak hours, they should add more buses to avoid overcrowding."

On June 26, more than 18.89 lakh women passengers of 34.79 lakh travelled in BMTC buses. The total ticket value of women passengers in the bus corporation from June 11 to June 26 crossed Rs 34 crore.

As conductors take time to verify passes and issue zero tickets between bus stops, they halt and then proceed, which increases the journey time. During peak hours, they should add more buses

— Malati, a daily commuter

CUK CHANCELLOR, NMIT PRINCIPAL GET INT'L AWARDS

Bengaluru: Central University of Karnataka Chancellor Prof N R Shetty and Nitte Meenakshi Institute of Technology Principal Dr H C Nagaraj were bestowed awards for achievements in the field of education by the US-based World Constitution and Parliament Association. The two educationists were conferred with the awards on the occasion of the 47th Earth Constitution Day on June 27. Both Prof Shetty and Dr Nagaraj come from the Nitte Group of Institutions, with Prof Shetty acting as senior advisor to the group. "Dr Nagaraj is responsible for upskilling his students, who are now employed across the world. The award has been conferred upon him based on feedback from his students who are serving in various countries," said P Narasimhamurthy, Karnataka representative of World Constitution and Parliament Association. ENS

Prof N R Shetty and Dr H C Nagaraj

GENDER MINORITIES SEEK NUTRITIONAL SUPPORT, HOUSING

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PEOPLE Living with HIV (PLHIV) and members of the LGBTQIA+ community have demanded nutritional support from the government with free antiretroviral therapy (ART) as well as rights for housing and sex reassignment surgeries.

The community celebrated Rainbow Habba in Bengaluru on Wednesday to commemorate the Stonewall Riots when a police raid at a gay bar in New York triggered days of protest which changed the face of the gay rights movement in the USA and the world.

NGO Sangama executive director Rajesh Srinivas noted that the Rainbow Habba was a step towards cultivating the constitutional morality of ensuring every citizens' right to freedom of speech and expression. PLHIV need proper nutritious diet to be able to withstand the effects of ART. HIV makes a person's immunity weak and strong medicines require proper food intake to balance the effect, he said.

"Though several schemes have been launched by the government, they continue to lack proper implementation. People are treated poorly in hospitals, they do not have proper housing facilities or sufficient employment opportunities as well," Srinivas added.

A trans woman, who did not wish to be identified, said people from the community continue to be harassed and are devoid of basic rights to healthcare, education and employment. "Trans people are forced to avail expensive treatment related to sex reassignment as doctors in government hospitals do not have the knowledge or skill to perform such surgeries," she said.

She also urged the government to increase the one per cent reservation provided to transgenders in government organisations, stating that the people seeking benefits were much higher in number.

Transgender activist Akkai Padmashali speaks at Pride Fest 2023 on Wednesday. Promoter Madhav Kothari and drag queen Beyonce also seen | VINOD KUMAR T

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Rajesh Srinivas, executive director, NGO Sangama

IISc ranked 3rd among Indian varsities

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THE Indian Institute of Science (IISc) has been ranked third among Indian universities in the QS World University Rankings-2024, which was released on Wednesday.

Coming behind the Indian Institute of Technology-Bombay (IIT Bombay) and IIT Delhi, the Bengaluru-based institution, however, dropped 70 places globally, coming at 225th compared to last year's rank of 155.

The QS World University Rankings are released annually, with this year's rankings evaluating 1,500 institutions across 104 countries. "It is the only ranking of its kind to emphasise employability and sustainability. This year, we've implemented our largest-ever methodological enhancement, introducing three new metrics: sustainability, employment outcomes and an international research network," a release stated.

The results are based on an analysis of 17.5 million academic papers and expert opinions from over 2.4 lakh academic faculty members and employers.

IISc had jumped up 31 places last year, from a ranking of 186 to 155. However, this dropped 70 ranks to 225. The institute got an overall score of 42.1 out of 100. According to the rankings, the highest scoring metric for IISc was in citation per faculty, scoring 100. The next highest metric was in faculty-student ratio, where the institute scored only 46.4. The rest of the scores were below 45, with sustainability coming at 10.7, employment outcomes at 13.8, international research network at 4.4 and international student ratio at 1.7.

Daily Starscope

PETER VIDAL

29th June : I have been speaking about the possibility of other inhabited planets. A lot of people think this is a new idea but, in fact, it has been discussed for centuries. Way back in the thirteenth century, some people actually declared belief in other inhabited planets an article of faith on the grounds that, to do otherwise, denied God's power to do as he pleases!

ARIES (Mar 21 - Apr. 20)
You'd do well to spend more time listening than talking. It's not just a matter of putting others first, but of picking up good advice and making use of anything and everything of relevance to your own situation. You can't afford to be too fussy.

TAURUS (Apr. 21 - May 21)
Cash issues are important, but possibly not as much as they may seem. The underlying questions still concern authority, the ways in which you cope with it and your ability to exert your own influence on affairs. You might have to stand up to somebody who has been trying to pressurise you unfairly.

GEMINI (May 22 - June 21)
Try to run things your way, but realise that to guarantee personal success you must take on more responsibility and look after partners' interests as well as your own. The boundary between selfishness and selflessness is so narrow that it's almost invisible!

CANCER (June 22 - July 23)
There is much to be said for keeping your thoughts to yourself, especially where money is concerned. The fact is that your intuitive grasp of what needs to be spent, or invested, can be much better than that of the so-called experts. Take all opinions into account and make a fair judgement.

LEO (July 24 - Aug. 23)
The general planetary situation is still tense, and a great many people seem unable to distinguish fact from fiction. Your purpose is to maintain the balance, especially where family members are involved. Don't be too hard on people who misread your intentions. Perhaps they can't help it!

VIRGO (Aug. 24 - Sept. 23)
You could be walking a tight rope at work. Play your cards right and success will exceed your expectations but, if you glance down, you'll be sucked in by the many distractions offered by lesser mortals. It's all a matter of striking the right note.

LIBRA (Sept. 24 - Oct. 23)
Don't allow simple matters of cost to set the agenda. What is rather more important is to question the value you place on certain relationships, and to turn the tables on people who have taken you for granted. You need to be appreciated - and now!

SCORPIO (Oct. 24 - Nov. 22)
There's a certain ruthlessness in the air, which means that you may be unprepared to give up without a fight. This is a lesson close associates, lovers and relatives will learn to their cost! You should complete all outstanding tasks as soon as you can, preferably over the next couple of weeks.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 23 - Dec. 22)
There's a distinctly mystical mood around today, suggesting that you can dispense with the facts and concentrate on the underlying meaning and worth of what you want to achieve. A little quiet contemplation could do some good. But you may also learn the lessons that come with long-distance contacts.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 23 - Jan. 20)
Venus and Mars are still in a sufficiently significant relationship to suggest that there's passion if you want it. Plus, a financial trauma should now be over. The worst threat to your prosperity could come from rash actions motivated by emotions which owe nothing to the present and everything to the past.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 21 - Feb. 19)
There's an old astrological law which states that no ending is possible without a new beginning so, as you jettison old commitments, you'll be opening the way for new ones. Romantically, by the way, there are still a few secrets to hang on to.

PISCES (Feb. 20 - Mar 20)
Although social commitments could be getting quite lively, you have a remarkable knack of keeping yourself to yourself, even in the middle of a large crowd. The essence of the current time is therefore discretion in generous quantities. Don't give other people the impression that you're bored, though - even if you are!

Solutions to Yesterday's puzzle ⬇

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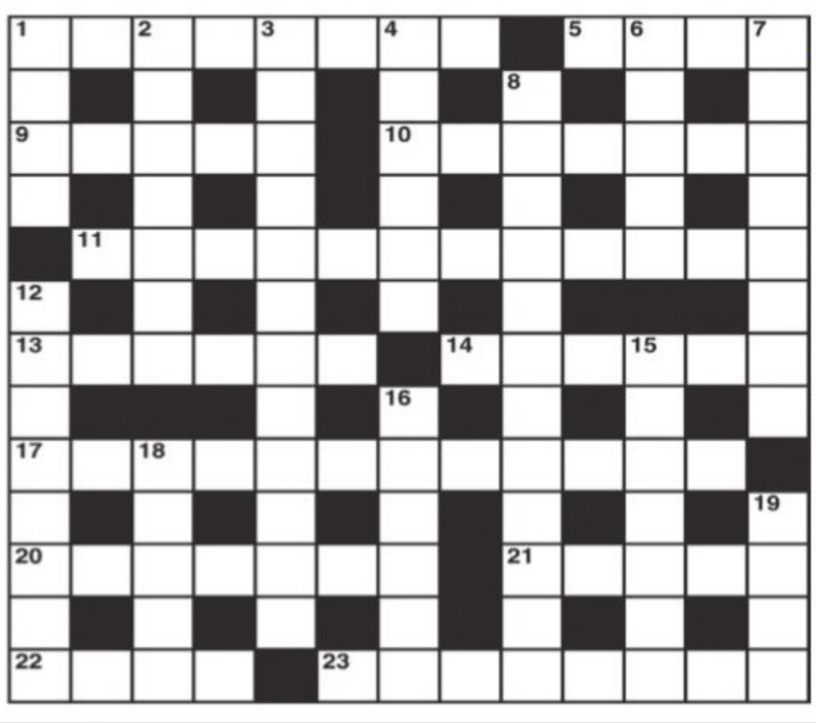

CROSS WORD

ACROSS
1 Emancipated worker's carte blanche (4,4)
5 Examination success for soft-headed dunce (4)
9 Close to home call about nothing unusual (5)
10 He increases the strain (7)
11 Based on an earlier design (12)
13 Make successful use of the clues (6)
14 Support the Spanish cast (6)
17 More than mean (5,7)
20 Add one's ringing tones to the conversation? (5,2)
21 Be losing track? (5)
22 Assume the point is agreed? (4)
23 Mentally ill - needs a change of routine before cure starts (8)

DOWN
1 Experienced hat maker (4)
2 It is taken from a book but is about right (7)
3 Gracious! An angel fish? (4,8)
4 Not a man of substance presumably (6)
6 Examination necessitating a lot of bookwork (5)
7 Stand on both sides (8)
8 A pen or its holder (6,6)
12 Made a loan - and didn't go back on it? (8)
15 Spectacle to make one gasp about period of history (7)
16 Show around Venice (6)
18 Some macaroni one mixes with vegetable (5)
19 Smart fellow the French take into account (4)

YESTERDAY'S SOLUTIONS

Across: 1 Relations, 8 Opera, 9 Misread, 10 Indeed, 11 Cement, 12 Improved, 15 Stampede, 18 Plaice, 20 Wigeon, 21 Break in, 22 Raise, 23 Sandpaper.

Down: 2 Elite, 3 Air bed, 4 Inactive, 5 Sooner, 6 Deceive, 7 Candidate, 11 Crossword, 13 Prepared, 14 Bargain, 16 Probes, 17 Panama, 19 Chide.

JUMBLE

UNSCRAMBLE THESE JUMBLES, ONE LETTER TO EACH SQUARE, TO FORM FOUR ORDINARY WORDS.

BY DAVID L. HOYT AND JEFF KNUREK

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Now arrange the circled letters to form the surprise answer, as suggested by the above cartoon.

Print your answer here: ( ) ( )

(Answers tomorrow)

Yesterday's Jumbles: SPICY PRANK BIGGER INJURY
Answer: The sherpa credited his success as an adult to his — UPBRINGING

Hassan Police have traced 51 of the 169 women and children who were reported as missing for the last 12 years in different police stations of the district

Mysuru e-way: Ban on bikes, autos from July

KSRTC DRIVER DIES AS E-BUS RAMS GOODS VEHICLE

BENGALURU: An Powerplus electric bus belonging to the KSRTC met with an accident on Wednesday, killing the driver and leaving three passengers injured. The bus attached to the Bangalore Central Division was heading towards Bengaluru from Madikeri, when it collided with a goods vehicle carrying plywood sheets, moving ahead, on the Mysuru-Bengaluru highway. The goods vehicle had suddenly slowed down, as one of its tyres had burst, causing the e-bus to ram it from behind. Due to the collision, the protruding plywood sheets broke the windshield of the bus and hit the driver's chest, causing him to lose control. He died of his injuries. The deceased is identified as Ramesh G (51), who had served KSRTC for over 19 years.

AKNISREE KARTHIK @ Bengaluru

TWO-wheelers, three-wheelers, agricultural vehicles like tractors, and cycles will not be allowed to enter the Bengaluru-Mysuru Expressway from mid-July.

Officials from the National Highways Authority of India told TNIE that they are awaiting an official notification in this regard in the next 10-15 days.

The 119-km e-way that helps travellers reach Mysuru from Bengaluru in just 90 minutes has been in the news for one or the other reason ever since its official inauguration by Prime Minister Narendra Modi in March. More than 150 people have lost their lives on the 6-10 lane e-way that was opened for traffic last October.

Ever since the e-way was opened for traffic, there have been discussions to prohibit two-wheelers and three-wheelers as they are said to pose a threat to the vehicles that are permitted to travel at a speed of 120km/hour. Earlier, there were plans to allow superbikes, however, they will also be banned as officials said that most of them do not follow lane discipline and travel at prohibited high speeds.

"On the lines with Delhi-Meerut and Delhi-Vadodara expressways, two- and three-wheelers will be prohibited on the Bengaluru-Mysuru Expressway. Once notified, the ban will be enforced immediately," said Vivek Jaiswal, Regional Officer, NHAI, Bengaluru.

He said all the above processes are expected to be completed in a span of over 10-15 days.

RHYME & RHYTHM

Folk artistes perform at Nagarta Mahila Sangh cultural programme at Ravindra Kalakshetra in Bengaluru on Wednesday | NAGARAJA GADEKAL

EXPRESS READ

DSC KEY STOLEN FROM DCP'S CAR

BENGALURU: DCP Traffic (West) Suman D Pennekar filed a complaint with Upparpet police after the Digital Signature Certificate (DSC) key given to her by the government, was stolen from her car in the parking bay of the BBMP office, near Upparpet police station. The IPS officer is said to have forgotten to lock the car doors. The incident is said to have taken place between 10.30am and 11am on Monday, and the complaint was filed late afternoon. On that day, the officer had come in her personal car and kept the DSC key, in the shape of a pen drive, on the front passenger seat. She then went to her office. As she had to sign in the E-office software, she remembered the key and returned to her car, but found it missing. Upparpet police registered a case and are investigating. A Digital Signature Certificate is an electronic document that contains the public key for a digital signature, and the identity of the owner.

KSDL SCAM

HC refuses to quash FIR against 'bribe giver'

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OBSERVING that it is high time corruption is nipped in the bud by making the bribe giver susceptible to prosecution, like the bribe taker, the Karnataka High Court refused to quash the FIR registered against the owners and two employees of Karnataka Aromas Company by the Karnataka Lokayukta police. It was filed in relation to the tender scam allegedly involving BJP ex-MLA Madal Virupakshappa, who was chairman of Karnataka Soaps and Detergents Limited (KSDL) and his son M V Prashanth Kumar, finance adviser and chief controller of accounts in BWSSB.

Justice M Nagaprasanna passed the order, rejecting the petitions filed by Kailash S Raj, Vinay S Raj and Chetan Marlecha, owners of Karnataka Aromas Company, and its employees Albert Nicolas and Gangadhar.

"Prima facie, if the story narrated by the senior counsel, representing the accused petitioners, is accepted, it would be accepting a screenplay of a pot-boiler without letting investigation be conducted into such ingredients, as the story within a story is interesting to listen to. It is a katha sangama but if the petitioners are let off the hook, the very object behind amendment and substituting Sections 8, 9 and 10 of the Prevention of Corruption Act would be rendered redundant," the court said.

Earlier, the senior counsel had contended that the amendment to the Prevention of Corruption Act, introduced in 2018, clearly depicts that if the bribe giver is compelled to give a bribe under circumstances beyond his control, he should report it to the agency within one week.

Even before one week could lapse, the crime was registered and the petitioners were made accused. Therefore, the petitioners cannot be dragged into the web of crime for the money belonging to accused No 4, he argued.

Pay our salaries soon or we will strike, say 108 ambulance staff

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THE 108 ambulance personnel operating in Karnataka have given an ultimatum to the state health department to clear their salary arrears, failing which they have threatened to go on strike from July 8.

Close to 4,000 employees, including the drivers and emergency medical technicians (paramedical staff), have continued to meet people's emergency care requirements across the state, without being paid for four months now.

A nursing officer from Bengaluru, seeking anonymity, said that not just employees, but their families have also been affected by the non-payment of salaries. "We have been working without being paid since four months. Many others like me, who are migrants, have not paid rent and are even struggling to pay their children's school fees. If the government does not clear the payments by July 7, we will ensure that all employees of 108 ambulances will stop work completely across the state," he said.

The employees jointly wrote a letter to the health department on Tuesday, stating that if their salary arrears of four months are not cleared by July 7, they will go on a strike from July 8.

An official from GVK-EMRI, responsible for handling 108 ambulance operations in Karnataka, said, "We have not received any funds from the government since March, which has resulted in non-payment of salaries. Our financial condition was so unstable that we were on the verge of stopping the services across the state around 20 days back." The tender processes for 108 ambulance services were cancelled in June due to an ongoing departmental inquiry and a Lokayukta case filed against the services. The department has set up a debarment committee in this matter and has not disseminated any funds till the issue gets resolved.

LOKAYUKTA RAIDS 15 GOVT OFFICIALS, SEIZES ASSETS

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THE Lokayukta police carried out massive search operations across the state in connection with 15 disproportionate assets cases registered against 15 government officers on Wednesday.

A simultaneous search was conducted at the residences, offices and houses of relatives of the accused officers at 62 locations in Bengaluru city, Bangalore Rural, Ramanagara, Chikkaballapura, Chikkamagaluru, Madikeri, Tumakuru, Vijayapura, Bagalakot, Kalaburagi, Raichur, Belagavi, Kolar and Yadgiri.

11 places in Bengaluru

In Bengaluru, police searched 11 places related to Ajith Kumar Rai, tahsildar (Grade-2), Bengaluru East taluk, KR Puram, which led to the disclosure of properties worth approximately Rs 1.90 crore, including Rs 40 lakh in cash. However, documents related to several properties in the names of other people running into hundreds of acres of land were also found during the raids. Several luxury cars were also found. It is suspected to be benami properties of the accused, and the matter is under investigation.

Ramanagara Lokayukta police searched six places related to KH Ravi, who is working as joint director of the agriculture department in Tumakuru, and unearthed properties worth around Rs 4.27 crore, while the search at four places belonging to Gangadhar Y, planning manager at Nirmithi Kendra in Chikkamagaluru, led to the disclosure of assets worth Rs 3.75 crore.

Lokayukta police said while raids led to disclosure of assets worth over Rs 31.50 crore, cases against all 15 officers are still under investigation, and they are yet to ascertain the value of disproportionate assets amassed by the officials.

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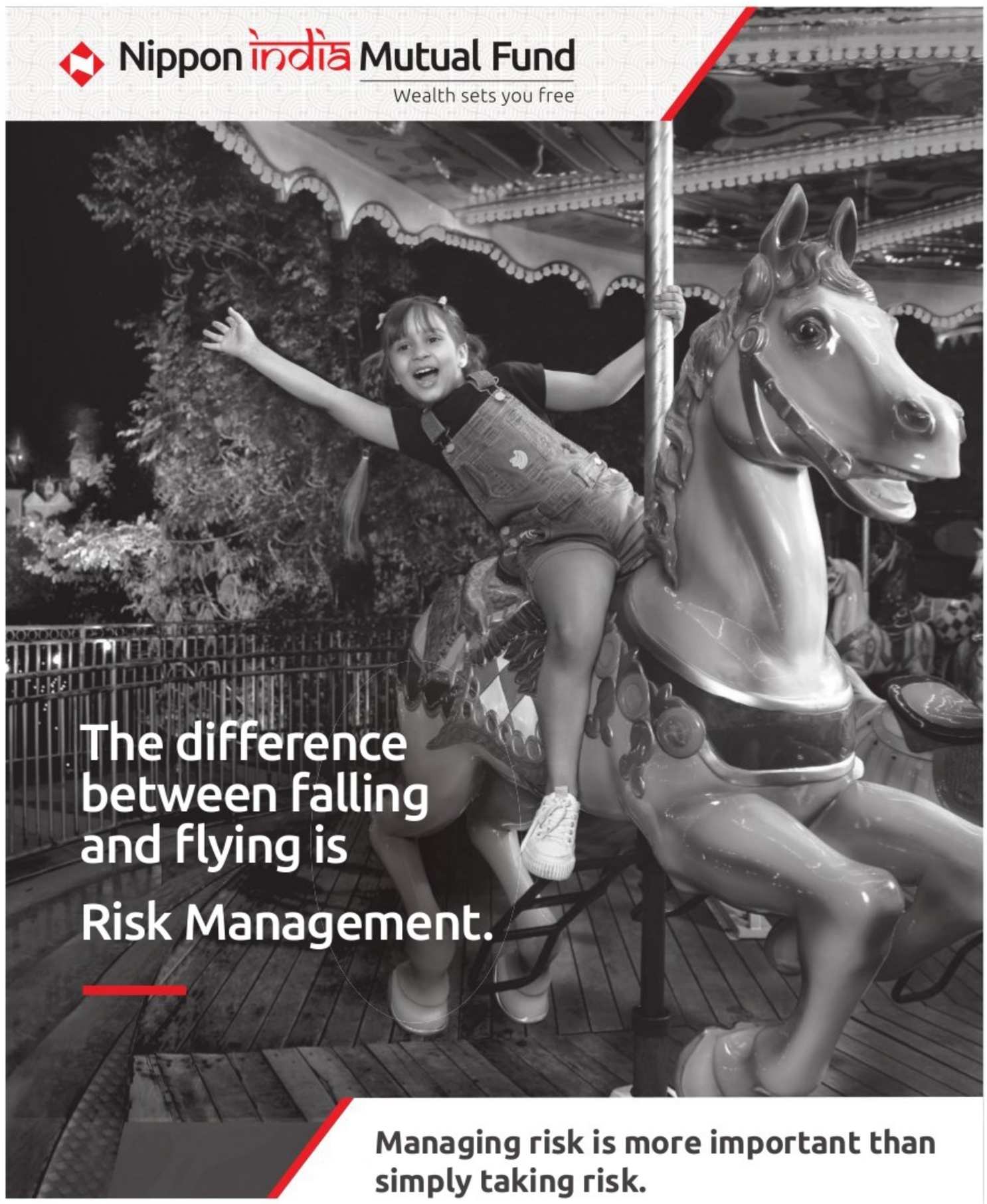

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Industries Minister MB Patil said mobile components manufacturer, SFS, is interested in setting up a unit by investing Rs 250 crore and has sought 30 acres of land in Belagavi. Patil said the decision will be taken after reviewing the proposal. SFS is also a manufacturer of mobile components for companies such as Apple is interested in setting up its unit in Belagavi. It is estimated to generate 500 jobs for technologists in the next three years, read a statement

PANEL TO LOOK INTO 'FAKE' CASES AGAINST PEOPLE, ORGANISATIONS

Move after demand from various quarters for withdrawal of police cases

OTHER APPROVALS

- To amend Karnataka Transparency in Public Procurement (KTPP) Act, to increase work limit for SC/ST contractors from existing ₹50L to ₹1 crore
- To amend Karnataka State Road Safety Authority Act to bring BBMP limits under it
- To amend Karnataka Goods and Services Tax Act. The GST Council has approved and sent the same to state government to bring amendments in the Services Tax Act, which it has not agreed to. Cabinet approved the same
- Lokayukta's annual report, which will be sent to Guv

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A cabinet sub-committee will be constituted to look into cases registered by police against individuals or organisations during riots or other incidents. "We have letters from various organisations to drop cases against them, as they did not commit any crime. If fake cases were registered, the committee will look into it," said Law Minister HK Patil.

Speaking to reporters after the cabinet meeting, Patil said there are many cases before various courts across the state. Many farmer and pro-Kannada organisations and others have written to the state government. "Organisation heads and individuals have requested the government, saying police have filed false cases against them, which need to be withdrawn. A cabinet sub-committee will be constituted to take a re-look into these cases," he said. The minister also said they have not decided on the duration of the cases filed. "If the sub-committee finds they are innocent, they will take up the cases," he said.

The cabinet also approved the constitution of another cabinet sub-committee to look into projects related to Krishna, Cauvery and Mahadayi rivers. The committee will also look into tribunal orders. "The Chief Minister will have the power to appoint members to this committee," he said.

The cabinet also approved another cabinet sub-committee to take a look into mega investments by investors. At present, there is a high-level committee for this. The CM will have the power to appoint members to this sub-committee, which will look only into investments, said Patil. This is to encourage more investors to invest in Karnataka.

GRUHA LAKSHMI LAUNCH LIKELY ON JULY 14

Minister Patil said they discussed the Gruha Lakshmi scheme at the cabinet meeting, and the minister concerned will give details at the earliest. "The tentative date to launch the scheme is July 14," he said.

Chief Minister Siddaramaiah arrives to attend the cabinet meeting at Vidhana Soudha in Bengaluru on Wednesday | NAGARAJA GADEKAL

Handing over Bitcoin probe to CID is like giving keys to thief: Min

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RDPR and IT/BT Minister Priyank Kharge, who has been campaigning for a probe into scams which surfaced during BJP rule, on Wednesday triggered a controversy of sorts by stating that "handing over the probe into Bitcoin scam to the CID (Criminal Investigation Department) means giving the keys of the home to the thief".

Priyank Kharge

A few hours before the cabinet meeting, Kharge told the media that different investigative agencies should be set up to probe scams, depending on the technicalities, and the Bitcoin scam should be given to an agency comprising experts.

His statement came close on the heels of Bengaluru City Police Commissioner B Dayananda reportedly writing to the DG&IGP, recommending that the scam be probed by a special agency. He took the initiative following the instructions of Home Minister Dr G Parameshwara, it is said.

Kharge felt the cabinet should not necessarily take a decision with regard to investigation into the scams as the chief minister can take a call, following a discussion with ministers. "However, there was some discussion on probing the scams at the last cabinet meeting," he revealed.

HC refuses to quash FIR against Rahul, other Cong leaders

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THE Karnataka High Court on Wednesday refused to quash the FIR against Congress leaders Rahul Gandhi, Jairam Ramesh and Supriya Shrinate over alleged copyright infringement by them by using song of movie 'KGF - Chapter 2' for the promotional video of Bharat Jodo Yatra.

The court observed that the petitioners appeared to have tampered with the source code without permission and freely played the audio which would undoubtedly amount to infringement of copyright of the complainant. They have taken copyright for granted and therefore, prima facie, all these factors become a matter of evidence which have to be thrashed out in the investigation, Justice M Nagaprasanna stated in his order rejecting the petition filed by accused Rahul Gandhi, Jairam Ramesh and Supriya Shrinate.

The FIR was registered against them based on a complaint by MRT Music with Yeshwanthpur police in Bengaluru on November 4, 2022, under the provisions of the IPC, Copyright Act and Information Technology Act.

It was alleged in the complaint that a popular song and audio clips of the film were illegally used to promote Rahul as a hero and a mass leader. The leaders have portrayed that they own the content and included the songs by using the party's logo on the videos uploaded on social media.

USE OF KGF SONG

The counsel representing the accused argued that the complaint has been filed in order to obtain a benefit in civil litigation by giving the matter the flavour of criminality.

He also contended that even as per the complaint, it is only the audio that has been made use of and there is no distortion, deletion, alteration or destruction of information stored in a computer, which has the effect of diminishing value or utility of the computer resource, and accordingly, no offence under the Information Technology Act can be said to have been committed.

It was further submitted that the very ingredients of the offence of misappropriation (Section 403 of IPC) or forgery (Section 465 of IPC) would presuppose there being a dishonest intention, which is absent.

BJP slams govt's move to pay cash for rice, says ₹34 per kg not enough

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THE BJP on Wednesday slammed the State Government's decision to give Rs 34 per kg for additional 5 kg of rice under the Anna Bhagya scheme. After it failed to procure rice to implement the scheme, the State Government on Tuesday decided to give Rs 34 per kg to the beneficiaries till it manages to procure rice.

"They (Congress leaders) had promised to give 10 kg rice and they should do so. The Centre is already giving 5 kg rice and the state should give 10 kg as promised," former chief minister Basavaraj Bommai said.

He said giving Rs 34 per kg is not sufficient as the market price of rice is around Rs 50 to Rs 60 per kg. "First, they promise 10 kg and bring it down to 5 kg and now the money they are giving is enough to buy just 2.5 kg of rice," the former CM said and added that they did the same with the promise of 200 units of free power, which came with many conditions.

The Congress has completely failed to fulfil its promises and people are disillusioned with them, he said. "The BJP will stand with people and take up their issues," he added.

MLC and BJP state general secretary N Ravi Kumar said that the State Government has failed to implement all five guarantees given to the people ahead of the polls in Karnataka. "They must give 10 kg rice as promised or resign. We will fight both within the state legislature and outside," he said.

After former CM BS Yediyurappa warned of staging a protest, the government decided to give money instead of rice, said BJP MLA BY Vijayendra. "Rs 34 per kg is not sufficient and they must give at at least Rs 45 per kg to each individual to procure 10 kg rice which they had promised. If the government fails to do so, the BJP leaders will protest," he added.

Oppn is anti-poor: HK Patil

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UNDER Anna Bhagya scheme, Congress had promised to give additional 5kg rice as one of their guarantees in the run up to the Assembly elections. The other 5kg is given by the Centre and was going on during the previous BJP government.

Muniyappa said the Union Government has 262 lakh MT of rice when they actually require 135 lakh MT. "But they denied it. They called for tenders and gave rice for Rs 31 per kg, but refused to give us although we were ready to pay Rs 34 per kg," he added.

Law Minister HK Patil said paying money instead of giving rice is an alternative arrangement. "The beneficiary can buy rice or jowar or ragi or any grain of his choice. We have kept our promise. Opposition parties have no moral right to protest. They are anti-poor," he added.

ZP/TP POLLS: STATE GETS 10 WEEKS TIME TO REDO DELIMITATION, RESERVATION PROCESS

BENGALURU: The Karnataka High Court on Wednesday granted the State Government 10 weeks time to redo the delimitation and reservation of constituencies to conduct the zilla and taluk panchayat elections. A division bench of Chief Justice Prasanna B Varale and Justice MGS Kamal passed the order after hearing Advocate General K Shashikiran Shetty and senior advocate KN Phanindra, representing the State Election Commission (SEC). While granting 10 weeks time, the court directed the State Government to submit the compliance report when the matter is to be taken up for hearing after 11 weeks. The court was hearing a PIL filed by SEC. **ENS**

'We are firm on dealing with hate mongers'

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RAMESH Babu said, "The BJP maliciously accused the Congress party and its leadership of seeking to incite trouble. They stated that Rahul and Congress, along with their links with international media, are seeking to divide India."

In response to the FIR, Malaviya retweeted his "provocative June 17 tweet" on Wednesday with a note stating "Rahul Gandhi is dangerous and playing an insidious game" again. While BJP claimed that it is with a malafide intent that Congress filed the FIR, Kharge said, "Whenever BJP bears the brunt of law, they cry foul."

Kharge tweeted, "FIR has been lodged against the toxic handlers of BJP social media. We are firm on dealing with hate mongers and people spreading false news for divisive politics. If BJP thinks they can get away with malice, they are mistaken."

POLITICAL THEATRE

Renukacharya seeks Kateel's resignation

BENGALURU: BJP leader MP Renukacharya has demanded the resignation of party state president Nalin Kumar Kateel. Taking to Twitter, he said, "BJP state president... under your leade-rship the BJP lost the elections miserably. You should resign taking moral responsibility...." He also said the BJP ignored former CMs BS Yeddyurappa and Jagadish Shettar, former Union minister Ananth Kumar, and former DyCM KS Eshwarappa. Such people were ignored during the elections and therefore BJP lost, he said.

MAKING A POINT

Members of farmers' associations have appealed to the state government not to take any steps to repeal the Karnataka Prevention of Slaughter and Preservation of Cattle Act. They also urged the government to procure rice, ragi, and jowar directly from farmers for the Anna Bhagya scheme, said Kuruburu Shantakumar (3rd froim left front row), president, Federation of Karnataka State Farmers Associations | SHASHIDHAR BYRAPPA

Misinterpreted, says KSE on 'Bombay Boys' remark

ENS @ Shivamogga

SENIOR BJP leader KS Eshwarappa on Wednesday clarified that he never used the term 'Bombay Boys' for the 17 Congress legislators who joined the BJP and helped it form the government in Karnataka in 2019.

Speaking to the media here, the former minister said that his statements on indiscipline in BJP were misinterpreted by a television channel. "I raised my objections to the channel.... But by then the damage was already done," he added.

Eshwarappa said that he was hurt by the recent developments. "How can I forget that our party came to power because of them... I was also a Cabinet minister then....," he said. The senior BJP leader said that he has spoken to BJP state president Nalin Kumar Kateel in this regard. He, however, reiterated that the indiscipline culture of the Congress has spread to BJP. Saying that there was displeasure among party workers in the state, Eshwarappa said that there are issues and it would be sorted out within the party.

He hit out at the Congress government for the delay in implementing its poll guarantees. "BJP MLAs will raise these issues in the upcoming Budget session," he added.

He said his son Kantesh desires to contest the 2024 Lok Sabha elections from Haveri and the top brass would take a call on this.

No illegalities in purchase of drones: Athawale

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UNION Minister of State for Social Justice and Empowerment Ramdas Athawale on Wednesday refuted the allegations made by the Congress that the Union Government was purchasing 31 predator drones from the U.S. by paying four times more than what other countries were paying for the drones. "Even in the purchase of Rafale jets, Congress leader Rahul Gandhi had accused the government of paying more. But then he later had to apologise to the Supreme Court.," the Republican Party of India leader told reporters.

He also defended the steps taken by the Centre to resolve the ongoing turmoil in Manipur. "Union Minister Amit Shah has held an all-party meeting. I too will visit the state and try to broker peace," he added. On 2024 Lok Sabha elections, Athawale said that the BJP would win 320-325 seats and the NDA would cross the 350-mark. "Narendra Modi will once again become the PM. The Opposition has been making a deliberate attempt to remove Modi," he said.

On claims by the State Government that the Centre was not giving rice to Karnataka to implement the Anna Bhagya scheme, he said he was unaware of it and would talk to the Food Corporation of India.

"Five acres of land should be given to the landless poor to uplift them across the country. About 1 crore hectares of land can be distributed to about 20 crore people. I appeal to Siddaramaiah to set up an expert committee in this regard," he said.

Experts blame hoarding for price rise, Parameshwara promises probe

BANSY KALAPPA @Bengaluru

PRICES of certain essential commodities have gone up steeply. The price of tur dal has gone up from Rs 90 to Rs 140, a hike of Rs 50 per kg.

The price of cumin or jeera has gone up from Rs 300 to Rs 650, an increase of Rs 350. The price of garlic has almost doubled. It shot up from Rs 50-60 to Rs 110-120 per kg.

Sources in APMC attributed this "price shock" to hoarding by unscrupulous dealers. The big question is what is the government doing?

Home Minister Dr G Parameshwara said, "This is a serious issue. No one can take it lightly and play with the lives of the people. We will conduct independent investigations. Wherever prices have been jacked up due to hoarding, we will take necessary action. No one can hoard essential commodities with the ulterior motive of jacking up prices."

Food experts said all three commodities can be hoarded for at least eight months without any risk to either the quality or flavour.

FKCCI former chairman J Crasta said, "Inflation for the last quarter stood at 4.1% and prices of food and essential commodities were lowest until about a month ago. Then, why have the prices gone up? This is curious, especially when a new government is in power here. It is an indication that hoarding of commodities has started with parliamentary elections fast approaching."

The price of tur dal has gone up from Rs 90 to Rs 140, a hike of Rs 50 per kg

JDS leader and former chief minister HD Kumaraswamy said,"Prices have been jacked up by hoarders. It neither benefits the grower nor the consumer. The Union Government has to take corrective measures. Otherwise, the situation will worsen."

Agri economist Prakash Kammardi said, "It is sad that only 22-25% of agricultural products reach APMC. If they do not come under the purview of APMC, it is difficult to get estimates. The information gap and asymmetry of information by vested interests should be corrected. If this is not done, some unscrupulous traders will stand to gain. The Union Government should come out with a coherent policy to correct it."

Meanwhile, some experts expressed concern over the recent amendment to the Essential Commodities Act, Section 3, which gives unscrupulous traders some level of immunity when they indulge in illegal hoarding.

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Dr G Parameshwara, Karnataka Home Minister

HDK alleges 'cash for transfer' scam

ENS @ Bengaluru

JDS leader and former CM HD Kumaraswamy on Wednesday continued his tirade against CM Siddaramaiah, alleging that the Chief Minister's Office has been indulging in corruption related to transfer of officials. He took a dig at the CMO issuing letters to four officers for a single post of accounts officer with the State Highways Development Project.

He alleged that there was a 'cash for transfer' scam. "It is sure that the officials are engrossed in typing all the letters of recommendation and getting them signed by the CM. People are understanding about the remote control who has been controlling the payment quota of the transfers... Cash for posting business has started since the first day of this government."

Transport Minister R Ramalinga Reddy, replying to Kumaraswamy, said with the transfers, the Congress government is removing the BJP government's corruption. "Let Kumaraswamy give evidence...," he added.

After a 13-day-long wait for its mother to accompany it back to the forest, an elephant calf, nicknamed Krishna, died at the Bommiyampadi camp shed in Attappadi around 11.30pm on Tuesday. The calf was found by MNREGA workers in a private estate in Palur on June 15 and had been under the forest department's care

Senthil Balaji's remand extended

TN minister to be in judicial custody till July 12; tells court he is still recovering after surgery

EXPRESS NEWS SERVICE
@Chennai

MINISTER V Senthil Balaji's judicial custody has been extended by two more weeks till July 12 by the principal sessions court in Chennai on Wednesday. As his 14-day remand period ends on Wednesday, the minister was produced before principal sessions judge S Alli through a videoconference facility. When the judge asked about his health, the minister, recuperating after a bypass surgery at Kauvery Hospital in Chennai, said he was still down with pain.

Senthil Balaji was arrested by the Enforcement Directorate (ED) on the wee hours of June 14 in connection with a money laundering case filed in 2021 following the trails of a cash-for-jobs scam during his stint as transport minister in the AIADMK government between 2011 and 2015.

He was initially admitted to the Government Multi-Specialty Hospital at Omandurar Estate after he complained of chest pain. The doctors, who examined him, identified blocks in his heart and recommended immediate surgery to remove them.

He was shifted to Kauvery Hospital after a division bench of the Madras High Court gave its nod by taking his health condition into account. The ED pressed for examining him by a team of medical experts from the AIIMS-Delhi, but the court, which passed the order based on a habeas corpus petition (HCP) filed by his wife Megala, did not agree to it. The judges, however, allowed the central agency to form an expert team to monitor the minister's health at the private hospital.

In the meantime, the ED was granted eight days of police custody by the principal sessions court for interrogating the minister. But the agency refrained from questioning him considering his health status.

SO LONG...

Devotees perform 'Dhadi Pahandi' of Lord Jagannath during Bahuda Yatra (return journey), in Puri on Wednesday | PTI

NETTARU CASE

NIA searches houses of 3 'absconders'

EXPRESS NEWS SERVICE
@Mangaluru

THE National Investigation Agency (NIA) on Tuesday conducted extensive searches at the houses of three absconding suspects in the case related to the murder of BJP Yuva Morcha member Praveen Nettaru allegedly by cadres of the Popular Front of India (PFI) in Dakshina Kannada last year.

Three locations were searched in Dakshina Kannada and Kodagu districts.

A release from NIA said they seized several electronic gadgets and documents during the searches at the houses of Abdul Nasir and Abdul Rahaman in Kodagu district and Naushad in Dakshina Kannada district.

All three are suspected of harbouring the main assailants of Nettaru at various hideouts across Karnataka and Tamil Nadu. Besides the trio, five other accused are still absconding. The case was taken over by the NIA in August 2022. A total of 21 persons, including the absconders, have so far been chargesheeted by NIA under various sections of UA(P) Act, IPC and Arms Act.

Nettaru was hacked to death on July 26, 2022, in Bellare village of Sullia Taluk in Dakshina Kannada by PFI 'Killer Squads' or 'Service Teams', stated the NIA release. Efforts to track down the absconding accused are continuing, it further added.

Jagan lashes out at Naidu, Pawan Kalyan

EXPRESS NEWS SERVICE
@Vijayawada

DESCRIBING Jana Sena Party chief Pawan Kalyan as an unstable mustache-twirling, thigh-slapping person who uses cuss words in his speeches, Chief Minister **YS Jagan Mohan Reddy** mocked him and said, "The package star can neither control his tongue nor himself."

During a programme held at Kurupam in Paravathipuram-Manyam district to distribute Rs 6,392.94 crore under the 4th edition of Jagananna Ammavodi scheme, Jagan accused Pawan of destroying the noble institution of marriage, and also lambasted at TDP supremo N Chandrababu Naidu.

"TDP stands for Tinuko (Devour), Dochuko, (Plunder), Panchuko (Stash)," he remarked.

Driver, cleaner killed as speeding dairy container truck overturns on Hosur rd

EXPRESS NEWS SERVICE
@Bengaluru

THE driver and cleaner of a milk container truck were killed on the spot on Hosur Road (NH-7) service lane after it crashed into almost 55 barricades before overturning. The driver was reportedly overspeeding when it went out of control around 6.30am on Wednesday, near Papanna Building in Kodihalli, under Attibele police limits in Bengaluru Rural.

Ramesh Kumar (56), who witnessed the accident, reported the matter to police. The Tamil Nadu-registered cold storage container truck was reportedly going from Bommasandra towards Whitefield, to transport dairy products.

The driver was identified as Karthik, and the cleaner as Uday Kumar, residents of Tamil Nadu. "The cleaner's body was completely crushed under the mangled truck. Police had to use cranes to remove it from the road and make way for traffic," said an officer who is part of investigations.

Police are checking if the driver was under the influence of any substance. The dairy product company was informed and told to inspect the accident spot and collect the dairy products in the container truck. The cost of the damaged barricades is expected to be around Rs 1 lakh.

A case of causing death by negligence and rash driving were registered against the driver.

EXPRESS READ

Vijayapura lemon gets GI tag

Vijayapura: After being included in the Central Government's One District One Product (ODOP) scheme to promote lemon, the citrus fruit of the district has now got the Geographical Indication tag. According to the sources, the Indi lemon has become the second variety to get GI tag after the lemon variety of Assam. Known as 'Kagzi' lemon, this variety from Indi taluk has the secured GI tag. The word 'Kagaz' means "paper" in Hindi.

Oil firms to establish more outlets

Bengaluru: The Oil Marketing Companies including Indian Oil Corporation Limited, Bharat Petroleum Corporation Ltd, Hindustan Petroleum Corporation Ltd have released advertisements for establishing new retail outlets across the country after four years. They aim to meet India's growing demand for petrol and diesel by setting up new outlets. Karnataka's state-level coordinator for oil industry also aims to create employment opportunities.

Startup to use drone tech for land mapping

EXPRESS NEWS SERVICE
@Bengaluru

BENGALURU-based drone technology startup, Aereo (formerly known as Aarav Unmanned Systems) will be part of the largest-ever drone-based land parcel mapping project in the world.

Allterra and NeoGeo, two geospatial organisations, won the land parcel mapping contract through open tender process from the Karnataka state government.

"This is a landmark project for India and the drone industry. Large-scale mapping is the need of the hour to fast-track the digitisation of land records in urban and rural areas. Through our drone solutions, we aim to deliver immense value to our partners and enable the state government to create ultra-high resolution digital survey maps that have multi-sector applications," said Vipal SIngh, co-founder and CEO of Aereo.

The two organisations have enlisted the help of Aereo in mapping 86,000 sq kms, which include ten districts in Karnataka.

These include Gadag, Koppal, Chamarajanagar, Chikkamagaluru, Vijayapura, Yadgir, Raichur, Bidar and Kalaburagi. The drone company will deploy 60 survey-grade post-processed kinematic (PPK) drones, which will cover an approximate area of 1.75 lakh acres a day on average.

The project was kickstarted in March 2023 and is expected to complete by March 2024.

"It is the biggest land parcel mapping project in the world. We will collect high resolution GIS data, process and deliver it at high quality standards in the defined time frame. This data will essentially improve the lives of people living in these areas," said G V Sreeramam, CEO of NeoGeo.

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WALK-IN-INTERVIEW

ನಿಗಮದ ವ್ಯವಸ್ಥಾಪಕ ನಿರ್ದೇಶಕರ ಕಚೇರಿಯಲ್ಲಿ "ಸಮಾಲೋಚಕರಾಗಿ" ಗುತ್ತಿಗೆ ಆಧಾರದ ಮೇರೆಗೆ ಕಾರ್ಯನಿರ್ವಹಿಸಲು ಒಬ್ಬ ಅರ್ಹ ಹಾಗೂ ಅನುಭವಿ ಸಮಾಲೋಚಕರು ಬೇಕಾಗಿದ್ದಾರೆ (ವಯೋಮಿತಿ 60-65 ವರ್ಷಗಳು).

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VACATION NOTICE

ICICI Bank — **Branch Office:** ICICI Bank Ltd. 4/10, Mythree Tower, Bommanhalli Hosur Main Road Bangalore- 560068

NOTICE

Notice is hereby given to the applicant **SRIKANTA UPADHYAY & Vandana Upadhyay, BANGALORE BLUES ENTERTAINMENT INDIA PRIVATE LIMITED** to vacate the movable articles in the property situated at (As described in the Loan document / property document covering Unit No 801 and **Unit No 802 Ward Number 63, Lakkasandra, Delphi Block 3 Prestige Acropolis Hosur Road Madiwala Division Bangalore- 560029** the possession of which is taken by ICICI Bank Limited, on **12.06.2023** under section 13(4) of the Securitisation and Reconstruction of Financial Assets and Enforcement of Security Interest Act 2002, within the period of 7 days from the date of publication of this notice.

Please take note that if you fail to vacate the movable articles, ICICI Bank Limited, will be constrained to auction the property along with the movable articles lying in the property at your own cost and consequences and ICICI Bank Limited, will not be responsible for the same.

Date : June 29, 2023 — **SD/- Authorised Office**
Place: Bangalore — **ICICI Bank Limited**

PUBLIC NOTICE

My clients **Sri. HARSHA .L**, S/o Lingaraju .D.S, aged about 28 years, R/at 42, 2nd Cross, ISEC Main Road, Nagarabhavi, Bangalore-560072 and **Sri. BAHUBALI RAVASAB MAGADUM**, aged about 28 Years, S/o. Sri. Ravasab. Residing at Ugar, Budruk, Belgaum, Karnataka-591316. both are willing and to purchase the schedule property from **Smt. DEVAKI BAI**, Aged about 63 Years, W/o. Late Arjun Singh and Sri. GULAB SINGH, Aged about 51 years, Both Residing at No.1252/8, 1st A Main, 12 Cross, M.C. Layout, Vijayanagar, BANGALORE-560 040. If any person having any right, title or interest over the schedule property or any kind of disputes, litigation or pending cases the same may be intimated and file objections in writing if any, **within 7 days** from the date of this advertisement.

SCHEDULE

All that piece and parcel of immovable Vacant Property bearing Site No.193 in the layout formed by the Kendra Upadhyayara Sangha Nagarabhavi (Teachers Colony) extension in Survey No.1/2, 1/3, 1/4, 1/5, 1/6, 1/7, 2, 10, 50/1, 53, 54/1, 54/4A, 54/4B and 55/5 of Nagarabhavi Village, Yeshwanthpura Hobli, Bangalore North Taluk, Bangalore, presently which comes under the jurisdiction of Bruhath Bangalore Mahanagara Palike old Ward No. 39, New Ward No. 131, having BBMP new Municipal No. 193, PID No. 39-187-193 along with residential building,

And Measuring: East to West: (6.10+10.10)/2 meters, North to South: 12.50 meters, In all Measuring:101.00 Sq. Meters

And Bounded on: **East by:** Site No.194, **West by:** Road, **North by:** Road, **South by:** Site No.192

Along with incomplete building 20 squares R.C.C roofed building consisting of two floors.

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The following borrowers and co-borrowers availed the below mentioned secured loans from ORIX Leasing & Financial Services India Limited. The loans of the below mentioned borrowers have been secured by the mortgage of their respective properties. As they have failed to adhere to the terms and conditions of the respective loan agreements and had become irregular, their loans were classified as NPA as per the RBI Guidelines. Amounts due by them to ORIX Leasing & Financial Services India Limited, are mentioned as per the respective notices issued more particularly described in the following table and further interest on the said amounts shall also be applicable and the same will be charged as per contractual rate with effect from their respective dates

Sr No.	Loan Account No.	Type of Loan	Name of borrowers	Outstanding as per 13(2) Notice	Notice Date	Details of Secured asset
1	LN0000000006573	SME Secured Loan	1. Madusudhan L 2. Lagumayya Ramaiah 3. Arpana 4. Leelavathi Lagumaiah	INR 51,33,013.01/-	27.06.2023	**All That Piece And Parcel Of** Property In Begepalli Village, Hosur Taluk And Also Attached To Hosur Sub Registration District And Krishnagiri Registration District Of Krishnagiri District, Sy. No. 255, Dry Extent Hec. 1.49.5 (or) Ac. 3.69 Cents, Asst. Rs. 1.63 Np., In This An Extent Of Ac.0.25½ Cents, Asst. Rs. 0.12 Np., Out Of This An Extent Of Ac.0.20½ Cents, Together With Rcc Terraced Residential Building Constructed Thereon, Bearing The Present Door No. 5/11 And Situated Within The Following **Boundaries:- East:** Site Belonging To Choodappa **West:** Portion Belonging To Anjinappa **North:** Remaining Land In Same Survey No. **South:** Road. The Above Site Is Now Forming Part Of The New Sub Division Sy. No.255/1a1a, Extent Hec. 1.10.0 And Covered Under Current Joint Patta No.1194.

You are hereby called upon to pay the amounts due to ORIX Leasing & Financial Services India Limited as per details shown in the above table with contracted rate of interest thereupon from their respective dates and other costs, charges etc., within 60 days from the date of this publication, failing which the undersigned shall be constrained to initiate proceedings U/s 13(4) and Sec. 14 of the SARFAESI Act, against the mortgage properties mentioned herein above to realize the amount due to ORIX Leasing & Financial Services India Limited. Further you are prohibited U/s 13(13) of the said Act from transferring the said secured asset either by way of sale / lease or otherwise.

Sd/-
Date : 27.06.2023 — **Authorised officer**
Place : Bangalore — **ORIX Leasing & Financial Services India Limited**

CITY UNION BANK LIMITED
Credit Recovery and Management Department
Administrative Office: No.24-B, Gandhi Nagar,
Kumbakonam - 612 001. **E-Mail id:** crmd@cityunionbank.in,
Phone: 0435-2432322, **Fax:** 0435-2431746

RE-TENDER-CUM-AUCTION SALE NOTICE UNDER SARFAESI ACT 2002

The following property/ies mortgaged to **City Union Bank Limited** will be sold in Re-Tender-cum-Public Auction by the Authorised Officer of the Bank, under Rule 8 (6) & 9 of the Security Interest (Enforcement) Rules, 2002, under the SARFAESI Act, 2002, for recovery of a sum of **Rs.56,00,336/- (Rupees Fifty Six Lakh Three Hundred and Thirty Six only)** as on **21-06-2023** together with further interest to be charged from **22-06-2023** onwards and other expenses, any other dues to the Bank by the borrowers / guarantors **No.1) Mr. M. Govindaraju, S/o. Late Jalage Munishamappa, At No.89/202, Vayuputhra Service Station, behind Kogilu, Yelahanga, Bangalore - 560064. No.2) Mr. G. Ranjith, S/o. M. Govindaraju, at No.89/202, Vayuputhra Service Station, behind Kogilu, Yelahanga, Bangalore - 560064. No.3) Mrs. R. Rathnammal, W/o. M. Govindaraju, at No.89/202, Vayuputhra Service Station, behind Kogilu, Yelahanga, Bangalore - 560064. No.4) Mr. G. Sridhar, S/o. M. Govindaraju, at No.89/202, Vayuputhra Service Station, Behind Kogilu, Yelahanga, Bangalore - 560064.**

Immovable Property Mortgaged to our Bank
(Property Owned by Mr. M. Govindaraju, S/o. Late. Jalage Munishamappa)

All that piece and parcel of the Property bearing No.202/89 Situated at Kogilu Village, Yelahanka Hobli, Bangalore North Taluk, Bangalore Now Ward No.05 of Jakkur, Kogilu. Now Comes Under the Administrative Jurisdiction of BBMP, admeasuring 21,470 Sq. feet within that 6,400 Sq.feet and along with superstructure putup thereon. Bounded on the:- East by : Remaining portion same Sy.No.89, West by: Property in Sy.No.90, North by : Remaining portion same Sy.No.89, South by : Road.

Reserve Price : Rs.6,50,00,000/-
(Rupees Six Crore Fifty Lakh only)

RE-AUCTION DETAILS	
Date of Re-Tender-cum-Auction Sale	**Venue**
20-07-2023	**City Union Bank Limited, Bengaluru-Yelahanka Branch,** 324, 3rd A Cross, First Phase, Yelahanka New Town, Bengaluru, Bengaluru Rural - 560106. Telephone No.080-28463272, Cell No.9341005406.

Terms and Conditions of Re-Tender-cum-Auction Sale :

(1) The intending bidders should be present in person for the auction and participate personally and give a declaration in writing to the effect that he/she is bidding for himself / herself. **(2)** The intending bidders may obtain the Tender Forms from **The Manager, City Union Bank Limited, Bengaluru-Yelahanka Branch, 324, 3rd A Cross, First Phase, Yelahanka New Town, Bengaluru, Bengaluru Rural - 560106. (3)** The intending bidders should submit their bids only in the Tender Form prescribed in sealed envelopes addressed to **The Authorised Officer, City Union Bank Ltd.,** together with a Pay Order / Demand Draft for an EMD of **10%** of the Reserve Price, drawn in favour of **"City Union Bank Ltd.", on or before 12.00 Noon** on the date of Tender-cum-Auction Sale hereby notified. **(4)** For inspection of the property and other particulars, the intending purchaser may contact **Telephone No.080-28463272, Cell No.9341005406. (5)** The property/ies are sold on "As-is-where-is", "As-is-what-is" and "whatever-there is" basis. **(6)** The sealed tenders will be opened in the presence of the intending bidders at **01.00 p.m.** on the date of Tender-cum-Auction Sale hereby notified. Though in general the sale will be by way of closed tenders, the Authorised Officer may, at his sole discretion, conduct an Open Auction among the interested bidders who desire to quote a bid higher than the one received in the closed tender process, and in such an event, the sale shall be conferred on the person making highest bid. The sale, however, is subject to confirmation of City Union Bank Limited. **(7)** The successful bidder shall have to pay **25% (inclusive of EMD paid)** of the sale amount **immediately** on completion of sale and the balance amount of **75%** within **15 days** from the date of confirmation of sale, failing which the initial deposit of **25%** shall be forfeited. **(8)** The Sale Certificate will be issued by the Authorised Officer in favour of the successful purchaser only after receipt of the entire sale consideration within the time limit stipulated herein. **(9)** The successful purchaser shall bear the charges/fees payable for conveyance, such as stamp duty, registration fee etc., as applicable under law. **(10)** The successful bidder should pay the statutory dues (lawful house tax, electricity charges and other dues), TDS, GST if any, due to Government, Government Undertaking and local bodies. **(11)** The Authorised Officer shall have all the powers to accept or reject the bids or postpone or cancel the sale without assigning any reason whatsoever.

Place : Kumbakonam, Date : 27-06-2023 — **Authorised Officer**

Regd. Office: 149, T.S.R. (Big) Street, Kumbakonam, Thanjavur District, Tamil Nadu - 612001, **CIN -** L65110TN1904PLC001287,
Telephone No.0435-2402322, **Fax:** 0435-2431746, **Website:** www.cityunionbank.com

Kalyana Karnataka Road Transport Corporation: Ballari Division: Ballari.

No.KKRT:BLR:TR:COMM:758:2023-24 Date:28-06-2023.

: E-Tender Notification No: 08/2023 :

Applications are invited through e-procurement for selecting licensee to commercial stalls/open place at Ballari Central / City Bus Terminal / Siruguppa / Kurugod / Kampli / Kuduthini/ Moka / Tekkalakote and Sirigeri Bus Stand coming under KKRTC Ballari Division. Interested bidder can download notification through **"https://kppp.karnataka.gov.in/#/portal/portal-home"** and instructed to read and understanding the terms and conditions before submit online application. The bidders must submit their documents and EMD amount through E-Portal Only. **(DD/Cash will not accepted for EMD and other fees).** Application can submitted till 18-07-2023 at 17:00 hrs. E-Tender will be opened on 21-07-2023 after 12:00 hrs. The Corporation reserves the right to accept, reject or without any notice select the bidders or postpone or modify or cancel the e-tender/manual notifications. For more details contact e-portal or **Divisional Traffic Officer, Ballari** (Mobile No. 77609 92152).

Sd/- Divisional Controller, KKRTC, Ballari Division, Ballari.
DIPR/Ballari/89/KSMCA/2023-24

Aadhar Housing Finance Ltd.

Corporate Office : 802, Natraj By Rustomjee, Western Express Highway, Sir M.V. Road, Andheri East, Mumbai - 400069, Maharashtra.
Zonal Office :- No.3, JVT Towers, 1st and 2nd Floor, 8th A Main Road, S R Nagar, Bangalore - 560027, (KA).
Jayanagar Branch : Office No. 180,Amrutha ,5Th Main,4Th Block West, Jayanagar,Bangalore-560011(Karnataka).
A.O : **Manjunatha K R**, Mob : **9480074594.**

PUBLIC NOTICE FOR AUCTION CUM SALE

Pursuant to taking possession of the secured asset mentioned hereunder by the Authorized Officer of Aadhar Housing Finance Limited under the **Securitisation and Reconstruction of Financial Assets and Enforcement of Security Interest Act, 2002** for the recovery of amount due from borrower/s, offers are invited by the undersigned in sealed covers for purchase of immovable property, as described hereunder, which is in the physical possession, on **'As Is Where Is Basis', 'As Is What Is Basis' and 'Whatever Is There Is Basis',** Particulars of which are given below:-

Sl No.	Borrower(s) / Co-Borrower(s)/ Guarantor(s)	Demand Notice Date and Amount	Description of the Immovable property	Reserve Price (RP)	Earnest Money Deposit (EMD) (10% of RP)
1.	App No. : D1345524 Jayanagar Branch) Rangegowda S N (Borrower) Narasimhaiah N (Co Borrower)	12-10-2022 ₹ 21,13,423.00	Site No 21 Dasanapura Hobli Nagaruru Village Bangalore North Near Ganesha Te Mple , Bengaluru - 562123, Karnataka. Bounded on **East by :** Site No.20, **West by :** Site No.22, **North by :** Private Property and **South by :** 30 Feet Road.	₹ 43,20,000.00 (Rupees Forty Three Lakhs Twenty Thousand Only)	₹ 4,32,000.00 (Rupees Four Lakhs Thirty Two Thousand Only)

1. **Last Date of Submission of Sealed Bid/ Offer** in the prescribed tender forms along with EMD and KYC is **28-07-2023** within 5:00 PM at the Branch Office address mentioned herein above. Tenders that are not filled up or tenders received beyond last date will be considered as invalid tender and shall accordingly be rejected. No interest shall be paid on the EMD.
2. **Date of Opening of the Bid/Offer (Auction Date)** for Property is **29-07-2023** at the above mentioned branch office address at 3:00 PM. The tender will be opened in the presence of the Authorised Officer.
3. The notice is hereby given to the Borrower/s and Guarantor/s, to remain present personally at the time of sale and they can bring the intending buyers/purchasers for purchasing the immovable property as described herein above, as per the particulars of Terms and Conditions of Sale.
4. **30 DAYS SALE NOTICE UNDER SARFAESI ACT, 2002 is hereby given to the public in general and in particular to the Borrower (s), Co-Borrower (s) and Guarantor (s) that the above described immovable property mortgaged/charged to the Secured Creditor, the physcial possession of which has been taken by the Authorised Officer of Aadhar Housing Finance Limited (AHFL) Secured Creditor, will be sold on "As is where is", "As is what is", and "Whatever there is" and to pay the amount due to Aadhar Housing Finance Ltd., in full before the date of sale, auction is liable to be stopped.**
5. The immovable property will be sold to the highest tenderer. However, the Authorised Officer reserves the absolute discretion to allow inter se bidding, if deemed necessary. The Property as mentioned will not be sold below Reserve Price.
6. **AHFL is not responsible for any liabilities whatsoever pending upon the property as mentioned above. The Property shall be auctioned on 'As Is Where Is Basis', 'As Is What Is Basis' and 'Whatever Is There Is Basis'.**
7. The Demand Draft Should be made in favor of '**Aadhar Housing Finance Limited' Only.**
8. The detail terms and conditions of the auction sale are incorporated in the prescribed tender form. Tender forms are available at the above mentioned Branch office. Authorised officer reserve the rights to extend the date of tender or change the terms & conditions of bidding. For further details & other terms & conditions of bidding please visit our branch and website : **www.aadharhousing.com**
For further details, contact the Authorised Officer, at the above mentioned Office address.

Place : Jayanagar — **Authorised Officer**
Date : 29.06.2023 — **Aadhar Housing Finance Limited**

Government of Karnataka
KARNATAKA MUNICIPAL DATA SOCIETY
(DIRECTORATE OF MUNICIPAL ADMINISTRATION)
MRC, 6th Floor, # 1-4, IT Park, Rajajinagar Industrial Estate, Bengaluru - 560010
Tel: 080-23003100 e-mail: mckmds@mrc.gov.in Web: www.mrc.gov.in

No.: 908452/DMA/KMDS/EST(DEFT)/8/2022 Date: 28.06.2023

WALK-IN INTERVIEW NOTIFICATION

Applications are invited for hiring the following posts on Consultancy Contract basis for 01 year and extendable based on performance.

1. Solution Architect - 1 post (Rs. 92,000/- per month)
2. System Analyst - 1 post (Rs. 1,23,000/- per month)
3. Software Developer - 10 posts (Rs. 49,000/- per month)
4. User Interface Developer - 1 post (Rs. 49,000/- per month)
5. Asst. Business Analyst - 2 posts (Rs. 49,000/- per month)
6. Asst. Programmer (Fee Negotiable) - 4 posts (Rs. 25,000/- per month)

The job discription of the post, Qualifications, Application Form and Experience required will be made available on website **www.mrc.gov.in** from **30th June 2023**. Interested qualified candidates may download the applications (in the prescribed format). Candidates should be present along with the filled application format and required original documents and one set of xerox copies at the office of **Karnataka Municipal Data Society,** # 1-4, 6th Floor, IT Park, Rajajinagar Industrial Estate, Bangalore on **07th July 2023 by 10.00 AM.**

Sd/-
Additional Secretary
Karnataka Municipal Data Society, Bengaluru

DIPR/CP/BCPL/404/2023-24

THE KARUR VYSYA BANK LTD

ASSET RECOVERY BRANCH
Divisional Office Building, No.6, Shri Vasavi Temple Road, Near Sajjan Rao Circle, V V Puram, Bangalore - 560004

SALE NOTICE FOR SALE OF IMMOVABLE PROPERTIES

E-Auction Sale Notice for Sale of Immovable Assets under the Securitisation and Reconstruction of Financial Assets and Enforcement of Security Interest Act, 2002 read with proviso to Rule 8(6) of the Security Interest (Enforcement) Rules, 2002

Notice is hereby given to the public in general and in particular to the Borrower (s) and Guarantor (s) that the below described immovable property mortgaged/ charged to the Secured Creditor, **The Karur Vysya Bank Ltd,** the constructive/ physical (whichever is applicable) possession of which has been taken by the Authorised Officer of **The Karur Vysya Bank Ltd.**, Secured Creditor, will be sold on **"As is where is", "As is what is", and "Whatever there is"** on **02.08.2023,** for recovery of **Rs. 97,36,861.69/- (Rupees Ninety Seven Lakhs Thirty Six Thousand Eight Hundred Sixty One and Paisa Sixty Nine only)** due to **"The Karur Vysya Bank Ltd",** Secured Creditor from **Shri. BHASKAR G N,** S/o Mr. Nagaiah, residing at A88/155/2, 1st Cross, Chikkabeguru, Begur, Bangalore–560068. The reserve price will be **Rs.60,00,000/- (Rupees Sixty Lakhs Only) and the earnest money deposit will be Rs. 6,00,000/- (Rupees Six Lakhs Only)**

DESCRIPTION OF THE IMMOVABLE PROPERTY

All that piece and parcel of Residential apartment bearing Flat no. 303 (2 BHK), in Second floor, west facing, measuring, 1200 sqft of super builtup area, in the apartment building known as "DEVI GRAND VIEW" together with 223 sqft of undivided share situated at Site No. 19 and 20, old Khatha No. 24/1 & 24/2 then BBMP Khatha No. 998/24/1/19 and 987/38/24/1/24/2/20, present Khatha No. 998/24/1/24/2/19 & 20 Uttarahalli, Puttenahalli Ward No. 187, Sarakkikere, Bangalore, On the East by :Private Property, On the West by: Corridor, On the North by: Flat No. 304, On the South by: Private Property.

For detailed terms and conditions of the sale, please refer to the link provided in our Bank's/ Secured Creditor's website i.e **www.kvb.co.in/Property** Under Auction also at the web portal **BankAuctions.in/ForeclosureIndia.com** of the service provider, **M/s. 4 closure.**

Statutory 30 Days' Notice under Rule 8(6) of the SARFAESI Act, 2002

The borrower/s and guarantor/s are hereby notified to pay the dues as mentioned above along with up to date interest and ancillary expenses before the date of e-Auction, failing which the Schedule property will be auctioned/sold and balance dues, if any, will be recovered with interest and cost.

Date : 28.06.2023 Sd/- Authorized Officer
Place: Bangalore THE KARUR VYSYA BANK LIMITED

Union Bank of India

Asset Recovery Branch
2/3, Raja Building N.R. Road,
Bengaluru -560002

DEMAND NOTICE

UNDER SEC.13 (2) SARFAESI Act 54 OF 2002

Enforcement of security interest Action Notice-In connection with the credit facilities enjoyed by the following borrowers with in the branches mentioned herein below- classified as NPA

We have to inform that you the following borrowers whose name and address [each borrower] and the name of the branches where you have availed the credit facilities offering the properties mentioned herein below. Since you have failed to repay the loan amounts as agreed by you, your following mentioned account/s has/have been classified as Non Performing Assets [NPA] as on the date mentioned herein below. The individual notice has been also already sent to, each of you demanding the due amount.

1. Name and Address of the Borrower/Co-Borrower/Mortgagor/Guarantor: (1) Mr. Azeez Khan, No 4 3rd Cross, 5th Main Road, Rakhamath Nagar Bangalore-560032 **Co-applicant/Co-obligant/ Guarantor : Shabeen Taj,** No 4 3rd Cross 5th Main Road, Rakhamath Nagar Bangalore-560032. **Guarantor : Shahista Khanam, Door No.26,1st Floor, Opp.Esi Quarters, Rt Nagar, Bangalore – 560032.**

Facility & Account Number	Outstanding amount as on 30.11.2019	Unapplied interest w.e.f. 30.11.2019 to 30.04.2023.	Cost/ Charges incurring by Bank	Total dues as on 30.04.2023 (in Rs.)
54660668 0000028	Rs. 36,81,282.04	Rs. 14,40,303.71	Rs. 72,815.00	Rs. 51,94,400.75

Total Liability Amount: Rs. 51,94,400.75/- (Rupees Fifty-One Lakhs Ninety-Four Thousand Four Hundred and Paisa Seventy – Five Only) as on **30.04.2023** together with further interest and charges.

NPA Date : 30.11.2019 **Demand Date : 05.06.2023**

Description of the Secured Asset/s : Corporation No 11/A, Site No 17 formed in SY no 21/2, at Matadahalli Village, Kasaba Hobli, Bangalore North Taluk situated at 3rd cross, Rahmathnagar, Ward 97, (33), PID No, 33-85-11/A, Bangalore and measuring East to West 30 Feet, North to South 40 Feet, In all total 1200 Square feet bounded on : East by: Other property, West by: Road, North by: Other Property, South By: Other property. Comprising 1900 Sq. ft of ground and First Floor of RCC Building, brick and cement walls, mosaic flooring, honne wood used for doors and windows with all civic amenities.

If you fail to repay the aforesaid sum with interest and incidental expenses within 60 days from the date of this notice, Bank shall exercise all or any of the rights detailed under sub section (4) of the section 13 of the SARFAESI Act. You are also put on notice that in terms of sub section 13 of section 13, you shall not transfer by sale, lease or otherwise the said secured assets detailed above without obtaining written consent of the Bank. This notice is without prejudice to the Banks rights to initiate such other action or legal proceedings as it deem necessary under any other applicable provisions of law. Your kind attention is invited to provisions of sub-section (8) of Section 13 of the SARFAESI in respect of time available, to redeem the secured assets.

Date : 28.06.2023 Sd/- Authorised Officer
Place : Bengaluru Union Bank of India

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CITY MUNICIPAL COUNCIL ARASIKERE

ದೂ.ಸಂ:08174–232201 E mail:itstaff_ulb_arasikere@yahoo.com
ಫ್ಯಾಕ್ಸ್ ನಂ: 08174–233274 ವೆಬ್‌ಸೈಟ್ www.arasikerecity..mrc.gov.in

CMC/ASK/SWM/OUTSOURCE DRIVER /01/2023-24 Date : 26-06-2023

-: Tender Notification :-

Arsikere city Municipal Council in Calling Tender For providing Manpower for SWM Activities sued as Drivers, helper, Supervisor, watchmen and operators etc, through http://kppp.karnataka.gov.in , Indent No- DMA/2023-24/SE0045 For more details check for E –Portal or Contact office.

Sd/- President, CMC, Arsikere. **Sd/- Vice President , CMC, Arsikere.** **Sd/- Municipal Commissioner, CMC, Arsikere.**

ವಾಸಾಸಂ/ಪೌಸನ/ಹಾಸನ/101/ಕೆಎಸ್ಎಂಸಿಎ/101/2023–24

THE MYSORE SUGAR COMPANY LIMITED
(A Govt.of Karnataka Undertaking)
Sugar Town, Mandya-571 402.
MSCo/MM/31/2023-24 DATE: 27 -06 -2023

SHORT TERM e-TENDER NOTIFICATION

The Mysore Sugar Company Ltd., Mandya is invited Tender through e-procurement portal Tenders from the interested manufacturers/dealers/suppliers/ Contractors, for supply and work of the following product:

Sl.No : 01. Description of Material : Supply and fixing of GI Sheets Thickness 0.45 MM Make: JSW/TATA (Refer tender form for detailed descriptions). Quantity : 3750 M². Tender Fee (inclu. GST) : 2,000-00. EMD of Rs. : Rs. 2,00,000-00

Tenders can be downloading from **28.06.2023 to 06.07.2023 @4.00 PM.** The date of opening of technical tender on **08.07.2023** at Managing Director office Bangalore. For further details contact e-procurement web site www.eproc.karnataka.gov.in No. **080-25501216/25501227 Or 9448238763/ 9900559353/ 9886470666**. Managing Director reserves the right to accept or reject the tender without assigning any reason and Managing Director decision in this regard final and binding.

Sd/- GENERAL MANAGER

DIPR/AD-MDY/KSMCA/80/2023-24

ಕರ್ನಾಟಕ ಸರ್ಕಾರ (ಲೋಕೋಪಯೋಗಿ ಇಲಾಖೆ)
ಕಾರ್ಯನಿರ್ವಾಹಕ ಇಂಜನೀಯರವರ ಕಛೇರಿ,
ಲೋಕೋಪಯೋಗಿ ಇಲಾಖೆ ಧಾರವಾಡ ವಿಭಾಗ, ಧಾರವಾಡ
Phone No: 0836–2747944, Email.ID :eepwddha@gmail.com
ಸಂ.ಕ್ರಸಂ : ಕಾನಿಇಂ/ಲೋಇ/ಧಾ/ಪಿಬಿ–6/ಟೆಂಡರ/2023–24/1302 ದಿನಾಂಕ : 28/06/2023

ಟೆಂಡರ ಪ್ರಕಟಣೆ KW- 4

ಕಾರ್ಯನಿರ್ವಾಹಕ ಇಂಜಿನೀಯರರು, ಲೋಕೋಪಯೋಗಿ ಇಲಾಖೆ, ಧಾರವಾಡರವರು ಕರ್ನಾಟಕ ರಾಜ್ಯಪಾಲರ ಪರವಾಗಿ ಕೆ.ಟಿ.ಪಿ.ಪಿ 2000 ರನ್ನಯ ಮತ್ತು ಸ್ಟ್ಯಾಂಡರ್ಡ ಡಾಕ್ಯೂಮೆಂಟ್ ಕೆ ಡಬ್ಲ್ಯೂ–4, ರ ನಿಯಮದಂತೆ ಕರ್ನಾಟಕ ಸರ್ಕಾರದ ಇ–ಪ್ರೊಕ್ಯೂರಮೆಂಟ 2.0 (e-Procurement 2.0) ಪೋರ್ಟಲ್ ಮೂಲಕ ಕರ್ನಾಟಕ ಲೋಕೋಪಯೋಗಿ ಇಲಾಖೆಯಲ್ಲಿ ನೊಂದಣಿ ಮಾಡಿದ ಅರ್ಹ ಗುತ್ತಿಗೆದಾರರಿಂದ ಒಂದು ಮತ್ತು ಎರಡು ಲಕೋಟೆ ಪದ್ಧತಿಯಲ್ಲಿ ಟೆಂಡರಗಳನ್ನು ಆಹ್ವಾನಿಸಲಾಗಿದೆ. ಧಾರವಾಡ ವಿಭಾಗ ವ್ಯಾಪ್ತಿಯಲ್ಲಿ ಸಂಬಂಧಿಸಿದಂತೆ **ಲೆಕ್ಕ ಶೀರ್ಷಿಕೆ:– 2059, 2216** ಅಡಿ ಒಟ್ಟು **02** ಕಾಮಗಾರಿ ಟೆಂಡರ್‌ನ ದಿನಾಂಕಗಳನ್ನು ಈ ಕೆಳಕಂಡಂತೆ ನಿಗದಿಪಡಿಸಲಾಗಿದೆ.

WORK_INDENT NO – **PWD/2023-24/BD/WORK_INDENT 79, PWD/2023-24/BD/WORK_INDENT80**

(1) ಆಕ್ಷೇಪಣೆ–ಸಂದೇಹ ಮತ್ತು ವಿವರಣೆಗಳಿಗೆ ಕೊನೆಯ ದಿನಾಂಕ : **10/07/2023** (ಬೆಳಿಗ್ಗೆ 11:30 ಗಂಟೆಯವರೆಗೆ) (2) ಗುತ್ತಿಗೆ ಪತ್ರಗಳನ್ನು ಸ್ವೀಕರಿಸುವ ಕೊನೆಯ ದಿನಾಂಕ : **12/07/2023** (ಸಾಯಂಕಾಲ 4:00 ಗಂಟೆಯವರೆಗೆ) (3) ತಾಂತ್ರಿಕ ಬಿಡ್‌ನ್ನು ತೆರೆಯುವ ದಿನಾಂಕ : **13/07/2023** (ಸಾಯಂಕಾಲ 4:30 ಗಂಟೆಯ ನಂತರ) (4) ಆರ್ಥಿಕ ಬಿಡ್‌ನ್ನು ತೆರೆಯುವ ದಿನಾಂಕ : **14/07/2023** (ಸಾಯಂಕಾಲ 4:30 ಗಂಟೆಯ ನಂತರ)

ಕಾಮಗಾರಿಗೆ ಸಂಬಂಧಿಸಿದ ಎಲ್ಲಾ ವಿವರಗಳನ್ನು ಅಂತರ್‌ಜಾಲ ವಿಳಾಸ https://kppp.karnataka.gov.in/#/portal/portal-home ದಲ್ಲಿ ಹಾಗೂ ಲೋಕೋಪಯೋಗಿ ಇಲಾಖೆ ಧಾರವಾಡ ವಿಭಾಗ ಕಛೇರಿಯಿಂದ ಕಚೇರಿಯ ವೇಳೆಯಲ್ಲಿ ಪಡೆಯಬಹುದಾಗಿರುತ್ತದೆ.

ಸಹಿ/– ಕಾರ್ಯನಿರ್ವಾಹಕ ಇಂಜನೀಯರರು,
ಲೋಕೋಪಯೋಗಿ ಇಲಾಖೆ, ಧಾರವಾಡ ವಿಭಾಗ, ಧಾರವಾಡ.

ವಾಸಾಸಂ/ಧಾರವಾಡ/ಕೆಎಸ್ಎಂಸಿಎ/64/2023–24

SYMBOLIC POSSESSION NOTICE

ICICI Bank | **Branch Office:** ICICI Bank Ltd. 4/10, Mythree Tower, Bommanhalli Hosur Main Road Bangalore- 560068

Whereas

The undersigned being the Authorized Officer of ICICI Bank Limited under the Securitisation, Reconstruction of Financial Assets and Enforcement of Security Interest Act, 2002 and in exercise of the powers conferred under section 13 (12) read with Rule 3 of the Security Interest (Enforcement) rules 2002, issued demand notices upon the borrowers mentioned below, to repay the amount mentioned in the notice within 60 days from the date of receipt of the said notice.

As the borrower failed to repay the amount, notice is hereby given to the borrower and the public in general that the undersigned has taken Symbolic possession of the property described herein below in exercise of powers conferred on him/ her under Section 13(4) of the said Act read with Rule 8 of the said rules on the below-mentioned dates. The borrower in particular and the public in general is hereby cautioned not to deal with the property and any dealings with the property will be subject to the charge of ICICI Bank Limited.

Sr. No.	Name of the Borrower/ Loan Account Number	Description of Property/ Date of Symbolic Possession	Date of Demand Notice/ Amount in Demand Notice (Rs.)	Name of Branch
1.	Gomathi/ Raman Velu/ LBBNG00005112814	(As Described In The Loan Document/ Property Document Covering All That Piece and Parcel of The Property Bearing Site No.134, Village Survey No. 54/6, Municipal No. 4, Pid-17-43-4, Property Khatha No.1316/1405, Situating at Saane Guruvanahalli Regg, Kamakshipalya Village, 8th Cross Vrishabhavathi Nagar, Yashavanthapura Hobli, Bangalore North Taluk, Bbmp Ward No.17 Old, 102 New (Admeasuring an Area of East To West: 60 Ft. North To South: 30 Ft. Total: 1800 Sq. Ft North: Property Belongs To Sri Ranghunath South: Other Property East:road West: Property Belongs To Sri Rangaswamy/ Date of Symbolic Possession on/23/06/2023.	08.03.2023 Rs. 47,68,892.00/-	Bangalore

The above-mentioned borrowers(s)/ guarantors(s) are hereby given a 30 day notice to repay the amount, else the mortgaged properties will be sold on the expiry of 30 days from the date of publication of this Notice, as per the provisions under the Rules 8 and 9 of Security Interest (Enforcement) Rules 2002.

Date: June 29, 2023 **Authorized Officer**
Place: Bangalore **ICICI Bank Limited**

केनरा बैंक Canara Bank

Fullerton Syndicate

Regional Office South,
Basavanagudi,
Bengaluru - 560004.
PH : 080-26548864.

E-AUCTION NOTICE

SALE NOTICE OF IMMOVABLE PROPERTIES THROUGH E-AUCTION (ONLINE AUCTION) UNDER RULES 8(6) & (9) OF THE SECURITY INTEREST (ENFORCEMENT) RULES 2002

Notice is hereby given to the effect that the immovable properties described herein, taken possession under the provisions of Securitisation and Reconstruction of Financial Assets and Enforcement of Security Interest Act 2002 and Security Interest (Enforcement) Rules 2002, will be sold by inviting tenders on the following terms & conditions. E auction arranged by the service provider **M/s. Antares Systems Ltd.** through the website **https://www.bankeauctionwizard.com**

Sl. No.	1) Name of the Borrower / Guarantor(s) 2) Name of the Branch and Secured Creditor	1) Secured Debt outstanding 2) Possession type 3) Reserve Price and Earnest Money Deposit (EMD)	1) Last date of deposit of EMD & KYC documents 2) EMD A/c no. 3) IFSC code 4) Bid Factor	1. Date of Auction 2. Time of Auction 3. Date & Time of Inspection
1	1) **Mr. Ajjappa O A, S/o Mr. Adivappa and Mr. Kallesh O A, S/o Mr. Ajjappa O A.** Both are at : No.235/1, 4th Main, 5th Cross, Kempagowda Nagar, Bengaluru 560019. 2) Canara Bank **- Bilekahalli (Vijaya Bank Layout) Branch. Mob : 9449861748**	1) Rs.1,08,71,050.00 plus further interest & charges 2) Physical 3) Rs.56,00,000/- EMD : Rs.5,60,000/-	1) 21.07.2023 before 04.00 p.m 2) 209272946 3) CNRB0010754 4) Rs.50,000/-	1. 24.07.2023 2. 11.00 am to 12.00 noon 3. 20.07.2023 between 3.00 pm to 5.00 pm.
	Description of property - Flat No.005, Ground Floor, **"Sreepaadam Gardens",** Constructed on Municipal Nos.62,63,76&77, Present BBMP Khata Nos. 62,63,76 and 77/77, formed in converted Sy. Nos.34/1,39/1 & 49/1, T. K. Deepak Layout, Opposite Royal County Park, JP Nagar 8th Phase, Kothanur Village, Uttarahalli Hobli, Bengaluru South Taluk,BBMP Ward No. 194, Bengaluru and Bounded on :**East by :** Flat No 004, **West by :** Open to sky, **North by :** Entrance, Cut out, Corridor & Flat No.006 and **South by :** Open to sky.			

For detailed terms and conditions of the sale, please logon to our website **http://www.canarabank.com** under "E-Auction" or contact the respective branches.

Place : Bangalore
Date : 27.06.2023

Authorized Officer
Canara Bank

WESTERN RAILWAY
CONSTRUCTION WORKS

Deputy Chief Engineer (Construction) II, Western Railway, Indore invites **Two packet system with e-reverse option E-Tender No: IND/MDZTI/DY.CE/C/II/02. Name of Work: Construction of Training cum Administration building, Hostel, Dispensary, Kitchen & Dining, Type V Quarters, Compound wall, RCC Over Head, Horticulture/Landscaping and other misc. work in connection with Multidisciplinary Zonal Training Institute (MDZTI) at Makodia Aam-Ujjain of Ratlam Division - Western Railway. Approximate cost of work : ₹51,46,47,140.37. Bid Security: ₹2723200/-. Date and Submission of bid and opening: Submission : 28.07.2023 upto 15:00 Hrs. Date and time of opening of Technical Bid : 28.07.2023 at 15:30 Hrs. Website particulars & Notice Board location where complete details of tender can be seen & address of the office: www.ireps.gov.in. Office of Deputy Chief Engineer (Construction)II, Western Railway, Opposite Indore Railway Station, Near Patel Bridge, Indore-(MP) 452001.** 0347

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POSSESSION NOTICE

Whereas, the authorized officer of **Jana Small Finance Bank Limited** (Formerly known as Janalakshmi Financial Services Limited)., under the Securitization And Reconstruction of Financial Assets And Enforcement of Security Interest Act, 2002 and in exercise of powers conferred under section 13(2) read with rule 3 of the Security Interest (Enforcement) Rules 2002 issued **demand notices** to the borrower(s)/ Co-borrower(s) calling upon the borrowers to repay the amount mentioned against the respective names together with interest thereon at the applicable rates as mentioned in the said notices within **60 days** from the date of receipt of the said notices, along with future interest as applicable, incidental expenses, costs, charges etc incurred till the date of payment and/ or realisation.

Sr. No.	Loan No.	Borrower/ Co-Borrower/ Guarantor/ Mortgagor	13(2) Notice Date/ Outstanding Due (in Rs.) as on	Date/ Time & Type of Possession
1	45349426790958	1) Mrs. Gowramma 2) Mr. Suresha S M	13.02.2023 Rs.16,28,992/- as on 07.02.2023	26-06-2023 05:30 P.M. Symbolic Possession

Description of Immoveable Property: All that piece and parcel of the property bearing site No.1, Assessment No.141/7, measuring East to West 40 Ft, North to South 40 Ft., in Totally 1600 Sq.ft. situated at Shivkote Village, Hesaraghatta Hobli, Bangalore North Taluk and together **Bounded on the: East by:** Property of Mr. Rajanna, **West by:** Road, **North by:** Property of Mr. Suresh, **South by:** Road. Measuring East to West: 40ft and North to South: 40ft in total measuring 1600 Sq.ft.

Whereas, the Borrower's/ Co-borrowers'/ Guarantor's/ Mortgagors, mentioned herein above have failed to repay the amounts due, notice is hereby given to the Borrower's mentioned herein above in particular and to the Public in general that the authorized officer of **Jana Small Finance Bank Limited** has **taken symbolic possession** of the properties/ secured assets described herein above in exercise of powers conferred on him under section 13 (4) of the said Act read with Rule 8 of the said rules on the dates mentioned above. The Borrower's/ Co-borrower's/ Guarantor's/ Mortgagors, mentioned herein above in particular and the Public in general are hereby cautioned not to deal with the aforesaid properties/ Secured Assets and any dealings with the said properties/ Secured Assets will be subject to the charge of **Jana Small Finance Bank Limited.**

Place: Bangalore
Date: 29.06.2023

Sd/- Authorised Officer
For. Jana Small Finance Bank Limited

JANA SMALL FINANCE BANK
(A scheduled commercial bank)

Registered Office: The Fairway, Ground & First Floor, Survey No.10/1, 11/2 & 12/2B, Off Domlur, Koramangla Inner Ring Road, Next to EGL Business Park, Challaghatta, Bangalore-560071.

ಪುರಸಭಾ ಕಾರ್ಯಾಲಯ, ಭಟ್ಕಳ (ಉ.ಕ.)
TOWN MUNICIPAL COUNCIL, BHATKAL (U.K.)

Ph/Fax: 08385-226408, Website: www.bhatkaltown.mrc.gov.in
Email: itstaff_ulb_bhatkal@yahoo.com

No. TMC/BKL/SBM 2.0/Tender/2023-24 Dated: 28-06-2023

TENDER NOTIFICATION (Two Cover System)

The Chief Officer, Town Municipal Council Bhatkal, Uttara Kannada District invites tenders in two cover system using KW-4 document from Class-I and II above PWD contractors or Registered Firm/Agencies for Processing and Disposal of Legacy Waste at Landfill Site of Town Municipal Council as per Central Pollution Board Guidelines under Swaccha Bharath Mission 2.0 in TMC Bhatkal Limits as detailed below.

Description of work: (1) DMA/2023-24/OW/WORK_INDENT688 Processing and disposal of legacy waste at S.No.61A of Bailkand Bhatkal taluk for Bhatkal TMC as per CPB guidelines.

Amount Put to Tender: **Rs. 207.91 Lakhs,** EMD Amount: **Rs. 2.64 Lakhs,** Period of Construction (Excluding Mansoon Period): **3 Months 16 Days,** Class of Contractor: **As per Bid Documents.**

Interested contractors shall register on the KPPP platform to participate in this tender. Contractors can download the tender documents from the KPP platform **(https://kppp.karnataka.gov.in).** Tender documents shall be submitted electronically at **https://kppp.karnataka.gov.in** EMD and Tender Processing Fee shall also be paid electronically.

Calendar of Events and other information's are as follows:

(1) Pre-bid meeting date and time for Bidders: **12.07.2023, 11.30 hrs.** (2) Last date and Time for tender Queries/Clarifications: **28.07.2023, 11.00 hrs.** (3) Last date and Time Receipt to Tenders: **28.07.2023, 16.30 hrs.** (4) Date and Time for Opening of Technical Bid: **31.07.2023, 17.00 hrs.** (5) Date and Time for Opening of Financial Bid: **05.08.2023, 10.30 hrs.**

Any Changes in the tender conditions and Postponement of calendar of events (if any) is only through KPPP Portal and will not be published in any newspapers.

DIPR/KWR/KSMCA/83/23-24 dt.28.06.23

Sd/- Chief Officer, TMC, Bhatkal (U.K.)

KARNATAKA POWER CORPORATION LIMITED
(KALINADI HYDRO ELECTRIC PROJECT)
CIN No: U85110KA1970SGC001919

e- TENDER NOTIFICATION

(Through e-procurement portal only)

Sealed bids are invited for the following works from the reputed bidders with proven track record of having carried out similar type of works **1)** No:KPCL/2023-24/PS/WORK_INDENT68 Dated: 19.06.2023. **"For Supply, Fabrication, installation and Painting of 3x50MW Kadra Power House Units tailrace discharge pipelines, dewatering platform and cable tray replacement"** EMD: Rs. 26,951/-. **2)** No:KPCL/2023-24/PS/WORK_INDENT53 Dated: 19.06.2023. **" For Supply and fixing LED street lights, Painting of street light poles and ACDB'S at KPCL Kadra".**EMD: Rs. 39,082/-. **3)** No:KPCL/2023-24/PM/WORK_INDENT56 Dated: 19.06.2023. **"For Repair/Servicing of Electro Hydraulic Transducer (EHT) and Non return Valves (NRVs) of Kadra and Kodasalli Power Houses".** EMD: Rs. 17,965/-. **4)** No:KPCL/2023-24/PS/WORK_INDENT43 Dated: 17.06.2023. **"For Comprehensive Annual Maintenance of ThyssenKrupp make passenger cum Freight Elevator installed at Kadra Power House and Kodasalli Power house for the year 2023-24".** EMD: Rs. 12,840/-. **5)** No:KPCL/2023-24/PS/WORK_INDENT55 Dated: 17.06.2023. **"For Supply, Errection, Modification and commissioning of shaft Seal cooling water system for all the Units of Kadra Power House".** EMD: Rs. 21,473/-. Bidders can access the bid document on website **www.kppp.karnataka.gov.in**. The other details can be accessed from GoK e-procurement portal **https://kppp.karnataka.gov.in** Further details can be had from the **Executive Engineer (O&M)** (Mobile: 9448793583) & **Superintending Engineer (Ele) Kadra**, KPCL, Kadra- 581 396 Uttara Kannada Dist. Ph: 08382-256344, Mob: +91 9449599133. e-mail: eek1kadrakpcl@gmail.com / seekadrakpcl@yahoo.in

STATE BANK OF INDIA
SARB BRANCH, (05173)
3rd Floor, Opp. To Trust Well Hospital, JC Road, Bengaluru-560002,
Ph No : 080-25943765/25943769,
E-mail ID: sbi.05173@sbi.co.in

POSSESSION NOTICE Under Rule 8(1) of the security Interest (Enforcement) Rules, 2002 (For Immovable Property)

A/c No - 64134771339/64127535415

Whereas, The undersigned being the Authorised Officer of the State Bank of India, under the Securitization and Reconstruction of Financial Assets and Enforcement of Security Interest Act, 2002 (No 3 of 2002) and in exercise of the powers conferred under section 13 (12) read with Rule 3 of the Security Interest (Enforcement) Rules 2002, issued a Demand Notice dated **04.11.2020**, calling upon the borrower. **1. Sri.Udaya Simha .M .N** S/o Sri M. S. N. Murthy and **2. Smt. Asha Simha** W/o. Sri Udaya Simha .M .N. **both are residing at** No. 12, 2nd floor, 7th cross, 15th Block, Kamkya layout, Banashankari 3rd Stage, Benagaluru - 560085 to repay the amount mentioned in the notice being **Rs. 26,81,553/-** (Rupees Twenty Six Lakh Eighty One Thousand Five Hundred and Fifty Three only) as on 04.11.2020 and future interest & expenses thereon within 60 days from the date of receipt of the said notice.

The borrower / mortgagor having failed to repay the amount, notice is hereby given to the borrower / mortgagor and the public in general that the undersigned has taken possession of the property described herein below in exercise of powers conferred on him under sub-section (4) of section 13 of Act read with Rule 8 & 9 of the Security Interest Enforcement Rules 2002 on this the **28th June 2023.**

The borrower in particular and the public in general are hereby cautioned not to deal with the property and any dealings with the property will be subject to the charge of **State Bank of India** for an amount of **Rs 20,65,115/-** (Rupees Twenty lakh sixty five thousand one hundred fifteen only) as on 27.06.2023 and further interest from 28.06.2023 plus, costs etc thereon.

The borrower's attention is invited to provisions of sub-section (8) of section 13 of the Act, in respect of time available, to redeem the secured assets.

DESCRIPTION OF THE IMMOVABLE PROPERTIES : All that piece and parcel of Residential Two Bed Room Flat No. Fr.F 404, 4th Floor in the Apartment known as **"Sumo Krupa Temple View Apartment"** with super built up area of 1270sq. ft. along with 371.88 sq.ft. of undivided share of right, title and interest along with the proportionate share in common areas with one covered car parking space in the basement floor with Fr.F 404, situated at BBMP Khatha No.1217/4 & 5 situated at Gubbalala Village, Uttarahalli Hobli with BBMP limits Ward No.184, Bengaluru standing in the name of Sri. Udaya Simha M N S/o Sri M S N Murthy & Smt. Asha Simha W/o Sri Udaya Simha M N bounded by : **East :** Remaining portion of same property in Sy. No. 4 & 5, **West :** 60ft Road, **North :** Remaining portion of land in Sy. No. 4, **South :** 40ft Road then Remaining portion of land in Sy. No. 5.

Date : 28.06.2023 Sd/- Authorised Officer
Place : Bangalore State Bank of India, SARB, Bangalore

PUBLIC NOTICE

This is to inform the General Public that, my Client – Sri. K. V. Mahesh S/o. Late. Venkatarayappa & Smt. K. V. Shyla W/o. Late. N Srinivas, Residing at No. 192, 3rd Cross, 3rd Block, C T Bed, Tyagarajanagar, Bengaluru – 560 028, has lost the Original Sale Deed Sale Deed dated 10/05/1982 executed by Sri. M K Thammaiah in favour of Sri. R Ramareddy, Registered vide document No. 485/1982-83, Volume-672, Pages 176-179, Book-1, before the Sub Registrar, Jayanagar, Bangalore, in respect of the Site No. 192, PID No. 51-66-192, measuring East to West: 25 Ft., and North to South: 40 Ft., in total 1000 Sq. Ft., Situated at 3rd Cross, 3rd Block, C T Bed, BSK 2nd Stage, T R Nagar, Bengaluru – 560 028.

A Lost Article Report is lodged vide Lost Report No. 0616202/2023, dated 25/06/2023, before the Bangalore City Police, Bangalore by reporting the loss of original Sale Deed dated 10/05/1982.

If any person find the Original Sale Deed dated 10/05/1982 shall handover to the below mentioned address.

Sd/- K.S CHANDRASHEKAR
Advocate & Notary
No.21, Dhondusa Layout, Off. Bull Temple Road, Mount Joy Cross Road, Hanumanthanagar Bangalore-19. Mob: 9448366193

PUBLIC NOTICE

This is to inform the general public that **"Ujwala Nagaraja Rao Jagdale,** W/o. Dr. Sudhindra Damodhar Rao, residing at No.608, Raj Vilas, 15th Cross, Opp: Adigaas Hotel, J P Nagar 1st Phase, Bangalore - 560078. The above said Ujwala Nagaraja Rao Jagdale had approached M/s. Kotak Mahindra Bank Limited, having head office at Plot C-27, BKC, Bandra (East), Mumbai-400051 and branch office at No.22, Kotak House, M G Road, Bangalore- 560001 for sanction of credit facilities and that during the course of title verification, it has been found that Original Deed of Declaration dated 12.07.2000 vide Document No.1760/2000-01 registered in the office of the Sub-registrar, Basavanagudi, Bangalore is lost/misplaced/non-traceable. If anyone has/any objections on the misplacement of the said earlier deed of declaration, the same can be intimated to the undersigned **within 15 days** from this notice along with supporting documents, failing which it shall be construed that any such claim against the Ujwala Nagaraja Rao Jagdale is waived, abandoned and the bank shall presume that current Ujwala Nagaraja Rao Jagdale is entitled to act in accordance to law." Any claim after the said period shall not be entertained.

Mariappa. M.S , Advocate
Chambers:Mariappa M S & Associates
No. 7, 3rd Floor, Kasturi Apartments,
35/11, Langford Road Cross, Shanthinagar,
Bangalore – 560 025, Mob; 9986811199
E- mail:mariappams@gmail.com

FIVE STAR BUSINESS FINANCE LIMITED

Business Finance Limited

Corporate Office: New No.27, Old No.4, Taylors Road, Kilpauk, Chennai-600010.
Branch Address: D.2nd Floor, No.712, Dr. Modi Hospital Road, Mahalakshmipuram, Bangalore, Karnataka-560079.

POSSESSION NOTICE UNDER S/13(4) OF SARFAESI ACT, 2002

Whereas, the undersigned being the Authorised Officer of the **Five Star Business Finance Limited** under the Securitisation And Reconstruction of **Financial Assets** and **Enforcement of Security Interest Act**, 2002 (Act 54 of 2002) and in exercise of the powers conferred under Section 13 (12) read with Rule 8 of the Security Interest (Enforcement) rules 2002, issued demand notice calling upon the borrower /co-borrowers / guarantors mentioned herein below, to repay the amount mentioned in the notice within 60 days from the date of receipt of the said notice.

The borrower having failed to repay the amount, notice is hereby given to the borrower and the public in general that the undersigned has taken symbolic possession of the property described herein below in exercise of powers conferred on him/ her under sub section (4) of Section 13 of the Act read with rule 8 of the Security Interest (Enforcement) Rules, 2002 on the below-mentioned date.

The borrower/ co-borrowers / guarantors in particular and the public in general is hereby cautioned not to deal with the property(ies) herein below and any dealings with the properties will be subject to the charge of the **Five Star Business Finance Limited** for the amount mentioned below and interest thereon.

Loan Number	Name of the Borrower, / Co-Borrowers & Guarantor	Date of Demand Notice	Date of Possession	Amount in Demand Notice (Rs)
LA220102	1.H. Manjunath 2. Priya	14-02-2023	24-06-2023	Rs.22,58,583/- as on 13-02-2023 and interest thereon

Description and Schedule of the Immovable Property : All that piece and parcel of land and building bearing Site No.54&81 , Katha No.58/1, situated at Mylasandra Village, Begur Hobli, Bangalore South Taluk, Bangalore, measuring East to West 20 feet and North to South 60 feet in totally measuring 1200 square feet , together with all rights, appurtenances. Bounded on the: **East by:** Road **West by:** Govt Property **North by:** Site No.53 & 80 **South by:** Govt Property.

The above property are situated within the Registration District of Bangalore and the Registration Sub-District of Begur.

PLACE : Bangalore
Date: 29-06-2023

Sd/- Authorised Officer,
For M/s Five Star Business Finance Limited

KARNATAKA POWER CORPORATION LIMITED
CIN: U85110KA1970SGC001919

Tender No.KPCL/2023-24/SE0028-as per KPPP Date: 27.06.2023

NOTICE INVITING TENDER

(Through Karnataka Public Procurement portal only)
(Two Tender Document System)

Name of The Work: APPOINTMENT OF COAL TRANSPORTATION AGENCY FOR COAL SUPPLIES FROM M/S MAHANADI COALFIELDS LIMITED (MCL) LOADING POINT/S TO RTPS BY ALL RAIL ROUTE.

Tenders are invited from reputed companies/persons for Coal supplies from various loading point/s of MCL and having adequate knowledge & experience for the **"Movement, Handling & Delivery of approximately 10.60 lakh MT of Coal per annum by All Rail Route to Raichur Thermal Power Station including the works of liaisoning, supervision & monitoring of quantity from MCL Loading Point/s"** for a period of two years. The last date for receipt of the completed bids is **11.07.2023 at 17.00 hrs.** The tender document can be downloaded from the website: **https://kppp.karnataka.gov.in** Further details can be had from The Superintending Engineer (Mines), KPCL, No 82. Shakti Bhavan, III Floor, Race Course Road, Bengaluru-560 001. Telefax No. 080-22203894. e-Mail: **cefuels@karnataka.gov.in** Website: **www.kpcl.karnataka.gov.in KPPP (e-Portal) helpdesk/ Hp help desk: +91-8046010000, +91-8068948777**

PHOENIX ARC PRIVATE LIMITED

Registered Office: 5th Floor, Dani Corporate Park, 158, C.S.T Road, Kalina, Santacruz (E), Mumbai -400098

**POSSESSION NO

IN THE COURT OF THE 12TH ADDL. CHIEF METROPOLITAN MAGISTRATE, NRUPATHUNGA ROAD, BENGALURU

C. MISC. No. 2359/2023

BETWEEN : 1. **KEMPAMMA,** W/o late Potaiah, Aged about 72 years, 2. **PRAKASH .P,** S/o Late Potaiah, Aged about 56 years. 3. **RENUKA,** D/o Late Potaiah, Aged about 49 years, 4. **KEMPARAJU,** S/o Late Potaiah, Aged about 39 years. 5. **RAMESH .P,** S/o Late Potaiah, Aged about 37 years. 6. **MURTHY .P,** S/o Late Potaiah, Aged about 34 years., All are residing at No.25, 1st Main Road, B.K. Nagar, Yeshwanthpur, Bengaluru-560 022. ...PETITIONERS

AND : THE REGISTRAR OF BIRTH & DEATH, BENGALURU. ...RESPONDENT

PAPER PUBLICATION

The above petition is filed under Section 13(3) of the Registration of Birth and Death Act 1969 to get the Death Certificate of **PATAIAH SON OF DYAVAIAH** and LAKKAMMA & husband of KEMPAMMA **died on 30.04.2011** at house address mentioned above. The Death Certificate is required for the purpose of transfer of katha of the property of the deceased.

The above case is posted for Petitioners evidence **on 20.07.2023** The General Public is hereby informed to appear before the 12th Addl. Chief Metropolitan Magistrate, Nrupathunga Road, Bengaluru and to file objection, if any on the aforesaid date at **11.00 A.M.**

Given under my hand and seal of the Court this the 27.06.2023.

By order of the Court, Sheristedar, XII ACMM Court.

ADVOCATE FOR PETITIONERS : **SYED ALIMULLA,** Advocate Mob: 9036378621

PUBLIC NOTICE

This is to inform the Public in General that my client **Sri. Munivenkatesh,** S/o. Late. Chinnappa, R/at. No.2162, 22nd B Main Road, 15th Cross, HSR Layout, 1st Sector, Bangalore - 560102 is negotiating to purchase the Schedule Property from the owner i.e., Sri. M. Devaraj Reddy, S/o. Late. N.G. Malla Reddy, having acquired by way of Gift Deed Dt. 03-11-2022 from his wife Smt. N. Gowramma, which has been registered in the office of the Sub-Registrar, - Bommanahalli, Bangalore as per Document No.BMH-1-07221/2022-23 in Book I and recorded in CD No.BMHD1777 on 03-11-2022. Anybody having any right title or interest whatsoever or any claim in any manner in respect of Schedule Property may lodge their objections with the undersigned with documentary evidence within **7 days** from the date of this advertisement, failing which, note that it will be presumed that no objections whatsoever from anybody/s and my client will proceed with the sale transaction.

SCHEDULE PROPERTY

All that piece and parcel of the property bearing Site No.10, Formed in Converted Old Sy.No.22/1, New Sy.No.22/3, duly converted by Tahsildar, Bangalore South Taluk, vide his order No. ALN/ SR(S) /2024 /1988-89, Dt. 25-05-1988, situated at Naganathapura Village, G.D.R. Layout, Begur Hobli, Bangalore South Taluk, presently comes under BBMP Limits, BBMP Ward No.191, measuring East to West 48 Ft. and North to South 30 Ft. totally measuring 1440 Sq.Ft. and bounded on: **East by**: Property belongs to Muniswamy Reddy, **West by:** Road, **North by:** Site No.11, **South by:** Site No.9.

NAVEEN .N, Advocate
No.418/04, 4th Cross, 6th Main, Wilson garden, Banaglore-560027.
Ph:9916497676.

PUBLIC NOTICE

This is to inform the General Public that my client is intending to purchase the schedule property belonging to Sri.Kantilal Bafna, Son of Sri.Gambhirmalji Bafna, residing at No. 192, "SHANTHI KUNJA" Sixth Cross, Gandhinagar, Kempegowda Road, Bengaluru – 560009;

Any, person, having any claim over the schedule property claiming through the predecessors in title or any other person, may lodge their objections or claims, in writing with all supporting documentary evidence by registered post with regard to such claim with the undersigned within 15 (fifteen) days hereof, failing which my client will proceed to conclude the Sale Transaction. Any claims lodged thereafter will not be entertained by my client;

SCHEDULE

All that piece and parcel of the vacant site bearing No.11 Katha No. 365/336/12/1/345/11 (Earlier eastern portion of land in Sy.Nos.12/1 & 12/2 of Byatarapura Village, Yelahanka Hobli, Bangalore North Taluk) situated at Byatarapura (Behind Jakkur Layout) Bangalore, Ward No-07 and bounded on the:

East by : Site Nos.94 to 101 carved out of land in Sy.No.9 of Amruthahalli Village, Yelahanka Hobli, Bangalore North Taluk
West by : Road, Site Nos.1 & 10 formed in the western portion of the land in Sy.Nos.12/1 & 12/2 of Byatarapura Village;
North by : Land in Sy.No.11 and
South by : Land in Sy.No.13

Measuring: East to West : 331 feet on the northern side 338 on the southern side North to South: 232 feet on the eastern side 240 feet on the western side,
In all ad-measuring 78,942 sqfts.

N S SATYANARAYANA GUPTA
K S NAYAK, N S RACHANA
N C JANARDHAN
Rachana Law Associates,
"Lakshmideep", I Floor, No:2980, 17th Cross, Banashankari II Stage, BANGALORE – 560 070; Ph: 9731333880
Dt: 28-06-2023

IN THE COURT OF THE XXIV ADDL. CITY CIVIL JUDGE, BANGALORE

O.S. No. 3642 OF 2017 (CCH 6)

BETWEEN : **N. MARIMUTHU,** aged about 60 years, S/o late A. Nallaswamy, Residing at Hennur Bande, Kalyananagar, Bangalore-560 043. ...PLAINTIFF

AND : Palaniammal & Others ...DEFENDANTS

NOTICE TO DEFENDANT NO. 5 AND 8 THROUGH PAPER PUBLICATION

D-5 : N. RAMASWAMY aged about 50 years S/o. late A. Nallaswamy (1 to 5 all are R/at Hennur Bande, KalyananagAr, Bangalore-560 043.

D-8 : K.S. VENUGOPAL REDDY, Aged about 43 years, S/o. late K.C. Srinivasa Reddy, R/a Venkateshwara Nilaya, Near Sai Baba Temple, Vaddarapalya, Bangalore-560043.

Whereas the Defendants No. 4 and 4(a) and (b) filed an application for reopening the suit, this suit is for partition, wherein the suit for compromised which was not in accordance with law.

You the Defendant No. 5 and 8 are hereby noticed to attend before Honorable City Civil Court, Bangalore (CCH 06) **on 25th July 2023 at 11 am** to defend the case either in person or by duly instructed pleader to answer the claim, failing which the case will be disposed of ex-parte against you.

SCHEDULE A PROPERTY

All that piece and parcel of the property in Sy.No. 123/1, measuring 25.08 Guntas (out of total measuring 2 Acres 10 guntas) situate at Chelakere Village, KR Puram Hobli, Bangalore East Taluk, and bounded on the :

East by : Land belonging to Sri. Poojappa, **West by :** Land belonging to Sri. Peddappa and Sri. Muniyappa, **North by :** Government Rock, **South by :** Land belonging to Sri. Swmay Gundappa.

Given under my hand and seal of the Court on 23rd day of June 2023.

By order of the Court, Assistant Registrar, City Civil Court, Bangalore.

Advocate for Defendants 4, 4(a) (b).
N. Manohar, Advocate
No. 16/56, Tagore Street, Udayanagar, Bangalore-560 016. Ph.: 09448520490
Email: nmanohar_adv@yahoo.com

GOVERNMENT OF ODISHA
OFFICE OF THE CHIEF CONSTRUCTION ENGINEER, BALANGIR (R&B) CIRCLE: BALANGIR

Mail ID : - senwdbalangir@gmail.com

e - Procurement Notice

BID IDENTIFICATION No: CCE(R&B) BGR / 07/ 2023-24
Letter No- 2563 // Dt.- 19.06.2023

B-395: The Chief Construction Engineer, Balangir (R&B) Circle, Balangir on behalf of Governor of Odisha invites percentage rate composite bid in double cover system in ONLINE MODE for the construction of works detailed in the table below from B/A Class Contractors registered with the State Governments and contractors of equivalent Grade/ Class registered with Central Government/ MES/ Railways for execution of Civil works. The proof of registration from the appropriate authority shall be enclosed along with the bid.

1. Nature of Work : Building works
2. No. of tender : Building works-7 nos
3. Tender Cost : Rs.10, 000/-
4. Class of Contractor : B/A Class.
5. Date & Time of sale & Receipt of Bids : From Dt. 29.06.2023 10.00 A.M. to Dt.13.07.2023 up to 05.00 P.M.
6. Date of opening Bid : Dt.14.07.2023 at 11.00 A.M.
7. The bidders have to participate in **ONLINE** bidding only. Further details can be seen from the website: http://tendersorissa.gov.in. All future corrigendum will be available on ONLINE MODE only.

OIPR-34131/11/0008/2324

Sd/-Chief Construction Engineer, Balangir(R&B) Circle, Balangir.

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Branch Address: D.2nd Floor, No.712, Dr. Modi Hospital Road, Mahalakshmipuram, Bangalore, Karnataka-560079.

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Whereas, The Undersigned being the Authorised Officer of the **Five Star Business Finance Limited** under the Securitisation and Reconstruction of **Financial Assets and Enforcement of Security Interest Act, 2002** (Act 54 of 2002) and in exercise of the powers conferred under Section 13 (12) read with Rule 8 of the Security Interest (Enforcement) rules 2002, issued demand notice calling upon the borrower /co-borrowers / guarantors mentioned herein below, to repay the amount mentioned in the notice within 60 days from the date of receipt of the said notice.

The borrower having failed to repay the amount, notice is hereby given to the borrower and the public in general that the undersigned has taken symbolic possession of the property described herein below in exercise of powers conferred on him/ her under sub section (4) of Section 13 of the Act read with rule 8 of the Security Interest (Enforcement) Rules, 2002 on the below-mentioned date.

The borrower/ co-borrowers / guarantors in particular and the public in general is hereby cautioned not to deal with the property(ies) herein below and any dealings with the properties will be subject to the charge of the **Five Star Business Finance Limited** for the amount mentioned below and interest thereon.

Loan Number	Name of the Borrower, / Co-Borrowers & Guarantor	Date of Demand Notice	Date of Possession	Amount in Demand Notice (Rs)
LA220133	1.Srinivasa Moorthy 2. Amrutha 3. Mukunda Prasad 4. Vasuder S.	14-02-2023	24-06-2023	Rs.39,62,056/- as on 13-02-2023 and interest thereon

Description and Schedule of the Immovable Property : All that piece and parcel of land and building bearing Site No.29, situated at Gopi Layout, Behind Venkateshwara Theater, Mirza Road, Anekal Town and Taluk, Bangalore, Comprised in Municipal Khaha No. 571 land measuring an Extent of 675 Sq.Feet and Bounded on the: East by: Property of Nallappa West by: Road North by: Remaning portion of the same site No.29 South by: House of Muniraju Measurements: East to west on Northern side:- 45 Feet East to west on Southern side:- 45 Feet North to South on the Eastern side : - 15 Feet North to South on the Western side : - 15 Feet Total measurement 675 Square feet

The above property are situated within the Registration District of Bangalore and the Registration Sub-District of Anekal.

PLACE : Bangalore
Date: 29-06-2023

Sd/- Authorised Officer,
For M/s Five Star Business Finance Limited

RAIL COACH FACTORY, KAPURTHALA

On-line bids are invited by PCMM, RCF on behalf of President of India for following item(s):-

S. No.	Tender No. and Due Date	Description	Quantity (Nos./Sets)	EMD (Rs.)
1.	17231232 21.07.2023	End Connector	5822 Nos.	50,000/-
2.	17231158 24.07.2023	Electro-Pneumatic Pressurised Flushing System for LHB Coaches	6239 Set	20,00,000/-
3.	17231231 20.07.2023	i) Door Arrangement LH & RH for LHB Coach	3118 Nos.	20,00,000/-
		ii) Door Arrangement LH for LHB GS Coach	200 Sets	
4.	17231241 20.07.2023	Set of Pillar Assly for LHB AC 2-Tier Coaches for USBRL	22 Sets	88,500/-
5.	12231171A 21.07.2023	Lavatory Door Arrangement for Handicapped	136 Nos.	55,210/-
6.	12231183 21.07.2023	i) Set of Honeycomb Partition Frame	286 Sets	20,00,000/-
		ii) Honeycomb Partition Frame Set for AC 3 Tier (EOG) Coach	495 Sets	
		iii) Set of Honeycomb Partition Frame for LHB AC 2-Tier Coaches	174 Sets	
7.	14231106 17.07.2023	Cleaner & Primer for LHB Coaches Cleaner Primer	2209 Ltr. 2188 Ltr.	1,71,220/-
8.	13235139 24.07.2023	1. Z Star Espansione Card along with Driver Software, Part No. DE1113-T1, Make : D-Electron/Siemens/Fanuc or equivalent in exact Mounting & Function. PL No. 661000019841	02 Nos.	1,41,420/-
		2. Z-32 Master Link Card along with Driver Software, DE1108-T1, Make : Delectron/Siemens/Fanuc or equivalent in exact Mounting & Function. PL No. 661000019853	01 No.	
		3. CPS Board (PCB Feeder), includes DE 1110-T5 & DE 1127 B, Make : D-Electron/Siemens/Fanuc or equivalent in exact Mounting & Function. PL No. N6385021	02 Nos.	
		4. PCB PWM, Part No. DE1111, Make : D-Electron/Siemens/Fanuc or equivalent in exact Mounting & Function. PL No. N6385024	02 Nos.	
		5. Axis Regulation Board, Part No. DE1103, Make : D-Electron/Siemens/Fanuc or equivalent in exact Mounting & Function. PL No. N6385030	03 Nos.	

1. For details and making on-line bids, visit website **http://ireps.gov.in.** Drawings/specifications, wherever required can be downloaded from RCF website **http://www.rcf.indianrailways.gov.in.** Class III-b digital signature certificate required for on-line bidding, can be obtained from licensed certifying agencies listed at **http://www.cce.gov.in. 2.** Tenders will close at 14.25 Hrs. on due date and tenders will be opened at 14.30 hrs. Tender at Sl. No. 1 to 8 will be opened at RCF Kapurthala. **3.** For queries, contact IREPS Helpdesk at 011-24102855, 011-24105180 or RCF helpdesk at 011-23378658.

Note: GST Number of RCF is 03AAAGM0289C1ZT. All the suppliers are advised to quote this in dispatch documents for the supplies made by them. **PCMM**

CORRIGENDUM

Tenderers may please note the following changes in 1. Tender No. 17231140 for Procurement of set of FRP Modular Toilet (Pre Assembled) for LHB USBRL Coaches (4 Types). Due Date to be read as 04.07.2023 instead of 29.06.2023. **2.** Tender No. 12231122 for AL Moulding EX Flat (3.18 x 25.4) L = 1.8 M, as per Drawing : CC43334. **(i)** Quantity to be read as 46930 Nos. instead of 38905 Nos. **(ii)** EMD to be read as Rs. 125707/- instead of Rs. 104210/-. **(iii)** Due Date to be read as 06.07.2023 instead of 30.06.2023. **All other terms & conditions will remain the same.** **PCMM**

Tender No. G-RCF/122/Stores/044/2023-24 **Dated 28.06.2023**

RBL BANK LTD

Administrative Office: 1st Lane, Shahupuri, Kolhapur-416001

Controlling Office: One India Bulls Centre, Tower 2B, 6th Floor, 841, Senapati Bapat Marg, Lower Parel (West), Mumbai-400013
National Operation Centre: Techniplex-1, 9th Floor, Off. Veer Savarkar Flyover, Goregaon (West), Mumbai-400062
Branch Office at: RBL Bank Ltd., Sai Kalyani Towers, No.56/105, G.N.Chetty Road, T.Nagar, Chennai-600017.

Securitisation Notice under S. 13(2) of SARFAESI Act, 2002.

We, **RBL Bank Limited** the secured creditor of Applicant & Co-Applicant mentioned in column no.2 below inform you all that your account has been classified as **Non-performing Account** in our accounts pursuant to your defaults in making payment/ repayment of principal and interest. An amount is now due and payable by you together with further interest thereon to **RBL Bank Ltd.**

In spite of our repeated demands you have not paid the amount(s) outstanding in your account(s) and you have not discharged your liabilities. We, therefore, issued notice under section 13(2) of Chapter III of the securitization and Reconstruction of Financial Assets and Enforcement of Security Interest Act, 2002 demanding payment of the above mentioned amounts together with further interest applicable at the contracted rates, costs, charges, other moneys to discharge your liabilities in full within **60 days** from the date of the notice.

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Sl. No	Name of Borrowers & Loan Account No.	Description of the property mortgaged	NPA Date & Amount O/s
1	**Mr. Rajesh Rao,** No.200/C, S.G.Palaya, C.V.Raman Nagar, Bangalore - 560093. **(Borrower) Mrs. Prema N,** No.200/C, S.G.Palaya, C.V.Raman Nagar, Bangalore - 560093 **(Borrower, Mortgagor And Guarantor) Loan Account No. 9278814**	All that piece and parcel of immovable property bearing Old Katha No.200/C, situated at Jogupalaya HASB Area, K.R.Puram, Hobli, Bangalore South Taluk, presently bearing New Municipal Corporation No.106, situated at C.V.Raman Nagar, JogupalayaGramanata (West), Bangalore, Karnataka measuring East to West 25 Feet, North to South 30 Feet and bounded as follows: **East by :** Remaining land bearing HASB Katha No.200; **West by :** Private Property; **North by :** Property belonging to Mr.Muniswamy; **South by :** Road.	**NPA Date: on 23-03-2023 Total amount of Rs.3,69,501.93 Out standing due as on 22nd June 2023 Demand Notice Date: 22.06.2023**

Now the authorized officer of **RBL Bank Ltd.** do hereby publish the contents of the above demand notice as provided under the Rules for discharge your liabilities in full, failing which, we shall, without any further reference, be constrained to enforce the following security created by you in our favour by exercising any or all the rights given under the said Act.

Please note that this publication is made without prejudice to such rights and remedies as are available to **RBL Bank** against the borrower and the guarantors of the said financial under law. You are further requested to note that as per section 13(13) of the said Act, you are restrained/ prohibited from disposing of or dealing with the above security or transferring by way of sale, lease or otherwise of above secured asset, without our prior written consent.

Place: Bangalore, Date: 29.06.2023 **Sd/- Authorized Officer, RBL Bank Ltd.**

Karnataka State Marketing Communication and Advertising Limited

(A Govt. of Karnataka Enterprise)
No. 42, MCA House, Millers Road, Bengaluru - 560 001.

No.: KSMCA/Admin/IA/15/2023-24 Date: 28.06.2023

EXPRESSION OF INTEREST INVITED FOR INTERNAL AUDITOR (Re-tender)

Expression of interest (Re-tender) is invited through e-Procurement portal as per KTPP Act, 1999 from Chartered Accountants for the service of Internal Auditor of the Company. EoI Documents can be accessed from e-Procurement website: **https://kppp.karnataka.gov.in** Last date for submission of bids: **10.07.2023 up to 5.00 p.m.** Opening of bid: **11.07.2023 at 5.00 p.m.** The management has the right to accept or reject any or all the EoIs without assigning any reasons thereon.

Sd/- Managing Director

Karnataka Road Development Corporation Limited

(A Government of Karnataka Enterprise)
No.8, "Samparka Soudha", Dr. Rajkumar Road, Rajajinagar 1st Block, Bengaluru-560 010. Telefax : 080-22024000
e-mail : cekrdcl@gmail.com Website: http://www.krdcl.in

No. KRDCL/IFB/2023-24/06 **Date: 27.06.2023**

INVITATION OF BIDS FOR CONSULTANCY SERVICES BASED ON QCBS

Karnataka Road Development Corporation Limited (KRDCL) invites bids from reputed Consultants for the Consultancy Services for Proof Checking of designs, Project Management, Construction Supervision and Quality Control for the following bridge works based on Quality and Cost Based Selection (QCBS): **1) Construction of Bridge across Tunga River between Tudur - Munduvalli of Thirthahhalli Taluk Shivamogga District and 2) Construction of bridge across Sharavathi backwater approaching Karanagiri - Bappannamane in Hosanagara Taluk of Shivamogga District.**

Interested consultants can participate through Karnataka Public Procurement portal and documents can be downloaded from website **https://kppp.karnataka.gov.in** The last date of receipt of tender is on **14.07.2023 upto 17.30 hours** & Technical bids will be opened on **17.07.2023 at 11.30 hours.**

Note: Please note henceforth, any changes in the schedule will not be published through News Papers and further changes if any, will be updated only on KPP-portal / KRDCL Website **https://kppp.karnataka.gov.in / http://www.krdcl.in**

DIPR/CP/BCPL/403/2023-24

Sd/- Chief Engineer KRDCL, Bengaluru

FIVE STAR BUSINESS FINANCE LIMITED

Corporate Office: New No.27, Old No.4, Taylors Road, Kilpauk, Chennai-600010.
Branch Address: D.2nd Floor, No.712, Dr. Modi Hospital Road, Mahalakshmipuram, Bangalore, Karnataka-560079.

POSSESSION NOTICE UNDER S/13(4) OF SARFAESI ACT, 2002

Whereas, The Undersigned being the Authorised Officer of the **Five Star Business Finance Limited** under the Securitisation And Reconstruction of **Financial Assets and Enforcement of Security Interest Act, 2002** (Act 54 of 2002) and in exercise of the powers conferred under Section 13 (12) read with Rule 8 of the Security Interest (Enforcement) rules 2002, issued demand notice calling upon the borrower /co-borrowers / guarantors mentioned herein below, to repay the amount mentioned in the notice within 60 days from the date of receipt of the said notice.

The borrower having failed to repay the amount, notice is hereby given to the borrower and the public in general that the undersigned has taken symbolic possession of the property described herein below in exercise of powers conferred on him/ her under sub section (4) of Section 13 of the Act read with rule 8 of the Security Interest (Enforcement) Rules, 2002 on the below-mentioned date.

The borrower/ co-borrowers / guarantors in particular and the public in general is hereby cautioned not to deal with the property(ies) herein below and any dealings with the properties will be subject to the charge of the **Five Star Business Finance Limited** for the amount mentioned below and interest thereon.

Loan Number	Name of the Borrower, / Co-Borrowers & Guarantor	Date of Demand Notice	Date of Possession	Amount in Demand Notice (Rs)
LA220056	1.S. Jayasankar 2. Kumari 3. Manjunath	14-02-2023	24-06-2023	Rs.21,49,108/- as on 13-02-2023 and interest thereon

Description and Schedule of the Immovable Property : All that piece and parcel of property beraing site No.11 out of property No.30, New property No.30/2, situated at Naganathapura Village, Begur Hobli, Bangalore South Taluk, Presently comes under Bruhath Bengaluru Mahanagara Palike Limits, Comprised in Katha No.30/2 land measuring an area of 1,200 Sqare Feet and Bounded on the: **North by:**Road **South by :** Site No.6 **East by:** Site No.12 **West by :** Site No.10 Measurements: East- west on both side:- 30 feet North - South on both sides :- 40 feet Measuring 1,200 Square feet The above property are situated within the Registration District of Bangalore and the Registration Sub-District of Begur.

PLACE : Bangalore
Date: 29-06-2023

Sd/- Authorised Officer,
For M/s Five Star Business Finance Limited

STATE BANK OF INDIA

Bangalore City Branch,
#22, J C Road, Bengaluru-560002.
Phone: 080- 22232929, Email ID: sbi.00814@sbi.co.in

POSSESSION NOTICE

Under Rule - 8 (1) (For immovable property)

A/c No.CC 38362047286, WCTL 41147438055

WHEREAS, The undersigned being the Authorised Officer of State Bank of India, Bangalore City Branch, Bangalore under the Securitization and Reconstruction of Financial Assets and Enforcement of Security Interest Act, 2002 and in exercise of the powers conferred under section 13 (12) read with Rule 3 of the Security Interest (Enforcement) Rules, 2002 issued a Demand Notice dated **19.01.2023** and published the notice in "The New Indian Express" and " Kannada Prabha" dated 11.04.2023 calling upon the borrower: **M/s ULTRA THE S'TILE STUDIO** represented by its Partners **(1) Sri.Bharat K Doshi** S/o Sri. Kantilal G Doshi and **(2) Smt.Tejal B Doshi** W/o Sri.Kantilal G Doshi and Guarantors **(1)Sri.Bharat K Doshi** S/o Sri.Kantilal G Doshi and **(2) Smt.Tejal B Doshi** W/o Sri.Kantilal G Doshi to repay the amount mentioned in the notice being **Rs.2,09,48,789/-** (Rupees Two Crore Nine Lakh Forty Eight Thousand Seven Hundred Eighty Nine Only)as on 17.01.2023 with future interest at contractual rate from 18.01.2023 together with incidental expenses, costs, charges etc.within 60 days from the date of receipt of the said notice.

The borrowers/guarantors/mortgager having failed to repay the amount as mentioned in the Demand Notice, notice is hereby given to the borrowers/guarantors/mortgager and the public in general that the undersigned, being the Authorised Officer of the State Bank of India, Bangalore City Branch, Bengaluru has taken possession of the properties of the guarantor **Sri.Bharat K Doshi** S/o Sri.Kantilal G Doshi described herein below in exercise of powers conferred on him under Sub-section (4) of Section 13 of Act read with rule 8 of the Security Interest Enforcement Rules 2002,on **26.06.2023.**

The borrowers/guarantors/mortgager in particular and the public in general are hereby cautioned not to deal with the property and any dealings with the property will be subject to the charge of State Bank of India for an amount of **Rs.2,28,31,992/-** (Rupees Two Crore Twenty Eight Lakh Thirty One Thousand Nine Hundred Ninety Two Only) as on 16.06.2023 and further interest at contractual rate from 17.06.2023 with incidental expenses, costs, charges etc thereon.

The borrowers/guarantors/mortgager's attention is invited to provisions of sub-section (8) of section 13 of the Act, in respect of time available, to redeem the secured assets.

DESCRIPTION OF IMMOVABLE PROPERTY

PROPERTY NO.1 : SCHEDULE A PROPERTY: All that piece and parcel of residentially converted land being portion of Survey No. 29/2A measuring 2 Acres 19.64 Guntas and Survey No.29/2B measuring 10.64 Guntas both situated in Jaraganahalli Village, Uttarahalli Hobli, Bangalore South Taluk, measuring together approximately 2 Acres 30.28 Guntas (1,20,094 Sq.feet) and bounded on: East by : Kanakapura Main Road and the House Property belonging to Lakshminarayana, Reddy and Plots belonging to Appanna Reddy and Narayanaswamy Reddy. West by : Private Property belonging to M/s Gopalan Enterprises North by : Land bearing Survey No.29/1 belonging to M/s Gopalan Enterprises, South by : Remaining portion of Survey No.29/2A and 29/2B belonging to Lakshminarayana Reddy and Others.

SCHEDULE B PROPERTY: An undivided 0.509% share (Zero Point Five Zero Nine percent) share (equivalent to 611.40 Square Feet) in the land comprised in the Schedule A Property.

SCHEDULE C PROPERTY: A Three Bedroom Apartment with Vitrified Flooring with Honne Wood flush doors & Aluminium windows bearing No.404 on the Fourth Floor, in the "BA" Block, of the multi-storeyed Building known as **"PURVA BELMONT"** constructed in the Schedule A Property with a super built up area of 1,464 Sq.feet (i.e., built up area of 1183.07 Sq.feet and Common area of 280.93 Sq.feet) together with a Covered Car Parking space, with building thereon standing in the name of Sri. Bharat K Doshi S/o Sri.Kantilal G Doshi.

PROPERTY NO.2: All that piece and parcel of the vacant site bearing No.21, Khaneshumari No.460/21, formed in Sy No.100/1, situated at **"SRI BALAJI LAYOUT"**, Mallapura Village, Kasaba Hobli, Nelamangala Taluk, Bangalore Rural District, measuring East to West: 40 feet and North to South: 30 feet, in all 1,200 Sq.feet, standing in the name of Sri.Bharat K Doshi S/o Sri.Kantilal G Doshi and bounded on: East by : Site No.26, West by : Road, North by : Site No.20, South by : Site No.22

PROPERTY NO.3: All that piece and parcel of the vacant site bearing No.22, Khaneshumari No.460/22, formed in Sy. No.100/1, situated at **"SRI BALAJI LAYOUT"**, Mallapura Village, Kasaba Hobli, Nelamangala Taluk, Bangalore Rural District, measuring East to West: 40 feet and North to South: 30 feet, in all 1,200 Sq.feet, standing in the name of Sri.Bharat K Doshi S/o Sri.Kantilal G Doshi and bounded on: East by : Site No.25, West by : Road, North by : Site No.21, South by : Site No.23

Place:Bengaluru
Date: 26.06.2023

Sd/- Authorised Officer & Chief Manager
STATE BANK OF INDIA,
Bangalore City Branch, Bengaluru

PUBLIC NOTICE

This is to inform the General Public that, My Client **Smt. P. Jayamma,** W/o Venkatareddy, aged about 44 years, R/at No.1/2, 4th Main, N.S.Palya, BTM Layout, 2nd Stage, Bangalore south, Bannerghatta Road, Bangalore-560076, Having acquired the same by way of Sale deed dated 17/08/2020.

Any person or persons asserting any rights, title, or claim in the schedule properties in any manner or the documents thereof or objecting to such sale in favour of my clients should write to the undersigned **within Seven (7) days** from the date of issuance of the Public Notice with all documentary proof on which they are basing and asserting their rights with regard to the schedule properties.

SCHEDULE PROPERTY

All that piece and parcel of portion of Residential site bearing No.156/2AS, (Earlier House Property NO.156/2A5 as mentioned in the Hulimavu Village, Panchayath Tax Demand Register) Situated at Hulimavu Village, Begur Hobli, Bangalore, comes under BBMP Ward No.193, measuring East to West 40 Sqft and North to South 35 Sqft, totally measuring 1400 Sqft, and bounded on:

East by: Shyanubhoga Venkatapp's Property, **West by:** Road, **North By:** Remaining Portion of Site No.156/AS, Sold to Byreddy Nagarjuna Reddy), **South:** Site No. 156/2AR.

RAVIKUMAR .B, Advocate,
#8, Ground Floor, "Byrappa Building" Uttarahalli Circle, Bangalore-560061.
Mob No.9731820001. Date 28-06-2023

PUBLIC NOTICE

The General Public is hereby informed that our client proposes to purchase the Schedule Property from its owner **SRI.V.ESWARAN.**

Any person (s), having any manner of right, title, interest, ownership, claim etc., over the Schedule Property may lodge his /her /their / its objections or claims in writing with all supporting documentary evidence with regard to such claims with the undersigned within **15 days** hereof, failing which, our client will proceed to complete the purchase transaction. Any objections/ claims received thereafter will not be entertained /binding on our client.

SCHEDULE PROPERTY

All that piece and parcel of the property bearing residential Site No.2692, situated at: Kumaraswamy Layout, 2nd Stage Extension, Bangalore, measuring East to West: 25 Feet and North to South: 40 Feet, in all measuring 1000 Square Feet, together with residential structure built thereon comprises of ground and two upper floors, presently within the limits of BBMP (Bruhath Bangalore Mahanagara Palike) and the same is bounded as follows, On the

East by : Site bearing No.2693;
West by : Site bearing No.2691;
North by : Site bearing No.2621;
South by : Road;

H.K. GIRISH, ADVOCATE
M & G Associates,
82, 1st Floor, 41st Cross, 3rd Main, 8th Block, Jayanagara, Bangalore-70.
Ph: 080-26632343 / +91 88867044666

PUBLIC NOTICE

I hereby invite the attention of the general public that my client **SMT. GEETHA** W/o Manjunatha, Aadhar No.672186092688 aged about 43 Years, R/at Flat No.B, 5017, May Fair Anthem Apartment, No. 128/6,Bhoganahalli Village, Varthur Hobli, Bangalore South Taluk, Bangalore-560103 is intending to purchase Land bearing old Sy.No.16 after phodi, New Sy.No.16/1 Khatha No. MR T1/2018-19 Situated at Halehalli village, Attibele Hobli, Anekal Taluk, Bengaluru District, From Suresh .N S/o Late Narayanappa, aged about 53 years, residing Halehalli village, Attibele Hobli, Anekal Taluk, Bengaluru District,. Aadhar No.506165969776 If anyone has any objections to the same, kindly write your objections to the below mentioned address **within 15days** from the date of this public notice. Failing which my clients will proceed to purchase the aforesaid property by treating has no one has objections in respect of the below mentioned schedule property.

SCHEDULE

Property bearing old Sy.No. 16 after phodi, New Sy.No.16/1 Khatha No.MR T1/2018-19 Situated at Halehalli village, Attibele Hobali, Anekal Taluk, Bengaluru District; Measuring 1Acre 04 Guntas and 1.04 Guntas karab. And bounded on the: **East by** : Attibele Bheemaias Land, **West by:** Road and Lake, **North by:** Chandrashekar land **South by:** SMT. Deveeramma and childrens land.

BRAMHANANDA .R & ASSOCIATES
No.88/1, 1st Floor, Gowrishankar Complex, Opp. SBI Bank, Amruthahalli main Road, Bangalore-560092.
Mob:9844940645
E-mail Id:bramhanandar@gmail.com,

Government of Karnataka

GULBARGA INSTITUTE OF MEDICAL SCIENCES, KALABURAGI

(Autonomous Institution of Govt. of Karnataka)
E-mail:directorgimsgulbarga@gmail.com Phone No 08472-260252

No. GIMS/KLB/TENDER/CR-15/Trauma/2023-24 Date: 22/06/2023

TENDER NOTIFICATION (Through e-procurement)

Gulbarga Institute of Medical Sciences, Kalaburagi invites tender for eligible bidders in bid system (Techno-commercial Bid & Financial Bid) in e-procurement 2.0 mode for the SUPPLY OF "Digital X-ray Machine" to Radiology Department Trauma Care Hospital Gims, Kalaburagi. Details are available in the site: https://kppp.karnataka.gov.in. Last date and time for upload of e-tender in E-procurement platform as follows.

1) Commencement of download of e-Tender Form from website-https://kppp.karnataka.gov.in: No. GIMS/KLB/TENDER/CR-15/Trauma/2023-24 Date: 22/06/2023 DME/2023-24/IND0034, 2) Last Date for Queries : **27.06.2023 at 17:00pm**, 3) Pre-bid Meeting : **28.06.2023 at 11:30am,** 4) Last Date for Uploading of Tender in e-procurement platform on or before: **06-07-2023 @ 4.30pm,** 5) Opening of Techno-Commercial Bid : **07-07-2023 @ 05:00pm**, 6) Opening of Tenders Financial bid : **10-07-2023 @ 11:30am**, 7) Tender amount: **Rs. 80,00,000=00**, 8) EMD : Rs. 80,000=00, 9) Contact Details : Director, GIMS Kalaburagi veresh Nagar sedam road Kalaburagi 585105, Ph.: 08472 260252 Mob: 9448712914.

Sd/- Director
Gulbarga Institute of Medical Sciences, Kalaburagi

DIPR/Kalaburagi/80/MC&A/2023-24

punjab national bank

CIRCLE OFFICE: SASTRA Department: 26-27, Raheja Towers, M.G.Road, Bangalore-560001. E-Mail: cs8191@pnb.co.in

POSSESSION NOTICE (For Immovable Property)

462500NC00000408, 462500NC00000435, 465009900000157 & 462500RF0000027 BO : SPPS Malleswaram (SOL : 462500)

Whereas, the Authorized Officer of the **Punjab National Bank** under the Securitization and Reconstruction of Financial Assets and Enforcement of Security Interest Act, 2002 and in exercise of Powers conferred under Section 13 read with the Security Interest (Enforcement) Rules, 2002, issued a demand notice dated **23.03.2023** calling upon **Shri Nagaraj C** S/o G R Channabasanna to repay the amount mentioned in the notice being **Rs.58,51,609.13 (Rupees Fifty Eight Lakh Fifty One Thousand Six Hundred Nine & Paise Thirteen Only)** being the dues as on **22.03.2023** until payment in full within 60 days from the date of notice/date of receipt of the said notice.

The borrower having failed to repay the amount, notice is hereby given to the borrower/mortgagor/guarantor and the public in general that the undersigned has taken possession of the property described herein below in exercise of powers conferred on him under Section 13(4) of the said Act read with Rule 8 of the said Rules on this **27th June 2023.**

The borrowers in particular and the public in general is hereby cautioned not to deal with the property and any dealings with the property will be subject to the charge of Punjab National Bank for an amount of **Rs.58,51,609.13 (Rupees Fifty Eight Lakh Fifty One Thousand Six Hundred Nine & Paise Thirteen Only)** being the dues as on **22.03.2023** and interest / charges from **23.03.2023.**

The borrower's / guarantor's / mortgagor's attention is invited to provisions of section 13(8) of the Act in respect of time available to redeem the secured assets.

Description of immovable property

SL	Facility	Security
1	OD HL	All that part and parcel of immovable property bearing Khanusumari No.3022/2438/119,

EDITORIAL

We live on a placid island of ignorance in the midst of black seas of infinity, and it was not meant that we should voyage far

Howard Phillips Lovecraft

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— Ramnath Goenka

IMPROVE MOBILITY AND STORAGE SYSTEMS TO CUT VEGGIE PRICES

The demon of rising vegetable prices across the country has raised its head again, much to the misery of citizens. Commonly consumed vegetables, like tomatoes, crossing the ₹100-mark per kg hurts more than the proverbial pinch. This is said to be due to the advancing monsoon and heavy rains disrupting transport in some regions, while in some others, a rain deficit is causing a fall in production. A reduced supply while demand remains high forces prices to shoot up.

The situation has again exposed the country's vulnerability to the vagaries of nature. When challenged by nature, sustaining production and distribution of the produce remains a problem. It is not that there is a shortage of vegetables and fruits in India. According to global vegetable market data, India's total vegetable production volume in 2022 was 9.96 crore metric tonnes. It may cross 10.59 crore metric tonnes in 2023, with a forecast volume growth of 6.8% in 2024. It is predicted to reach 13.54 crore metric tonnes by 2028. The country's average per capita vegetable volume (fresh and processed) is 74.61 kg.

India is the second largest producer after China and has a diverse climate and topography, ensuring production throughout the year and every season. But production and availability are spread differently across the country. So, it requires a robust distribution system employing various modes of transport, supplemented by a network of cold storage facilities penetrating every nook and corner of India's vast rural outback. This should work on precise data on what vegetables people consume more in which regions, besides the demand and consumption patterns in those regions at different times of the year. This data could help in ensuring that the demand for those vegetables in the respective regions is met by ensuring proper supplies and thus avoiding shortage and price rises. The effort can be backed by expertise from agricultural scientists and economists and academic knowledge from three Central universities, 64 state agricultural universities, and four deemed universities recognised across India by the Indian Council of Agricultural Research.

Production shortfalls are a different problem altogether. Falling short on effective transportation and distribution with inadequate storage facilities, even in times of plenty, would be a sin. It is the latter that is the bane in India.

TN TASMAC CLOSURE: BAN NOT THE ANSWER

With the closure of 500 liquor shops run by the Tamil Nadu State Marketing Corporation Limited (TASMAC) last week, the call for total prohibition has reared its head again in TN. The closure of the shops, welcomed by the local communities, leaves 4,829 retail vending shops in the state. TN has had an on-off relationship with prohibition. Total prohibition does not work. For better or worse, human beings like their tipple and have liked it for all our history. Barring access to liquor only pushes people towards risky behaviour in search of a high that can lead to serious illness, permanent disability and even death. TASMAC, founded in 1983, is meant to be a middle path by which the state government controls access to 'safe' liquor for its citizens. Of course, this path may fail in preventing abuse of alcohol, as evidenced by the death of over 20 people in TN from drinking spurious brews, if not supported by law enforcement and education of users.

People have a right to choose—to drink, study, marry, etc. Sometimes those rights may be exercised in ways that cause harm to themselves, others and society. The solution, then, is not always to remove choice. Child marriage, for instance, is not stopped entirely by a legal ban. Nor is education accessed by all simply by making it mandatory. Citizens are incentivised to make a choice that may benefit them and society in the long run by holistically addressing the factors that influence certain choices. When it comes to liquor, a moral outlook affects how society looks at it and how it impacts politics and policy. However, the common allegation that the state funds its welfare schemes through the sale of liquor holds a kernel of truth.

There is a central paradox in TASMAC wherein a company may look to earn profits when its goal is to prevent abuse. This is how shops have opened in areas they shouldn't be in: near places of worship or educational institutions. But in calling for prohibition, politicians merely bandy a phrase they hope might win votes. What TN truly needs is sustained educational interventions and awareness of alcohol use, abuse and the disease of alcoholism, especially among school and college students. Investment in de-addiction and rehabilitation should be a priority. Police and communities must be sensitised on domestic violence and how to help survivors. Unfortunately, none of these interventions makes for snappy slogans.

QUICK TAKE

EDUCATION IS NOT CHARITY

Delhi government school students are cracking engineering and medical entrance tests year after year. One even scored a perfect 100 percentile. Yet, these students face segregation, belying that education is not charity but a right. Residents of a tony South Delhi locality fear a proposal to build a sports facility for government school children poses a security threat from "outsiders" entering their neighbourhood. They are sure "none of our children" will use the facility. As it is, poor students rarely get an equitable share of public resources. Such attitudes undermine bids to help millions outside the recognised schooling system across India.

Federalism is not antithetical to national integration. On the contrary, it is a necessary concomitant to the latter

FEDERALISM AS A CONSTITUTIONAL IMPERATIVE

KALEESWARAM RAJ

Lawyer, Supreme Court of India

SOUMYADIP SINHA

The very first article in the Constitution of India carries a great political philosophy. It says: "India, that is Bharat, shall be a Union of States." This amalgamation of the states carries the grandeur of federalism. Federalism is not merely a device for division of power. It encompasses inclusiveness, tolerance, understanding and recognition of the country's diversity. Federalism is not antithetical to national integration. On the contrary, it is a necessary concomitant to the latter.

The governments must function independent of the political parties that run them. Having chosen to form a government, the political combination that runs it will be bound by the constitutional prescriptions. If the government identifies with a political ideology, it is the idea of constitutional governance that fails. Unfortunately, this is often the Indian case. As scholar Tarunabh Khaitan observes, there is a kind of fusion between the regime at the Centre and the ruling political party. This, in turn, could also prompt the Centre to treat the states differently.

Differential treatment of the states can happen in varied ways. The states might get discriminated against in budgetary allocation, extension of aids and reliefs, support for the smooth functioning of the government, etc. The use or abuse of the gubernatorial offices and the selective misuse of the Centre's probe agencies against those in power in the states also might reflect political agenda.

There are reports indicating that a great share of the aid from the Union government went to BJP-ruled states whereas the other states were left with lesser funds. This has given rise to grievances not only from the state governments but also from policymakers.

There is substance in the criticism by Tamil Nadu Chief Minister M K Stalin, who said that the last Union budget was mainly meant for development projects in BJP-ruled states. The chief ministers of West Bengal, Punjab, Himachal Pradesh, Kerala, Telangana and Andhra Pradesh were critical of the Union budget, for it ignored the legitimate demands of their states. The Delhi government's criticism of the Centre's ordinance—which takes away the state government's jurisdiction over state services—continues to be a serious issue.

Already there is growing concern over the Centre's exploitation of the South, leading to inequitable distribution of resources favouring the North. Nilakantan R S explains various facets of the South-North divide in his brilliant work, *South vs North: India's Great Divide*. This reveals a geographical disparity in almost all walks of life in the country, which is deeply disturbing.

What about the state's power to avail loans? Kerala finance minister K N Balagopal, in a letter written to Union finance minister Nirmala Sitharaman, complained that the Ministry of Finance arbitrarily made a reduction of about ₹4,000 crore in the net borrowing limits of the state. He posed serious constitutional issues based on Article 293(3) of the Constitution. According to this provision, the state should get the Union's consent for raising any loan if there is any outstanding balance. This does not, however, empower the Union to arbitrarily meddle with the state government's financial plans which include various welfare schemes for the poor. His criticism was that the Centre was arbitrarily invoking Article 293(3) to control the state's autonomy in the matter of borrowing.

The most crucial change in the realm of taxation also favoured the Centre. The 101st Amendment to the Constitution, which designed the Goods and Services Tax—replacing *inter alia* the then existing state tax—had a centralising effect, as Christophe Jaffrelot opined. It adversely impacted the relative financial autonomy of the states in multiple ways. They struggled to have their voices heard in the GST Council and get their claims for due share accepted. Economic centralisation is clearly a tool for political centralisation.

The Centre's differential treatment of the states need not be always based on the political coalition that runs the state. More strikingly, even during the times of human tragedy, the partisan approach has been evident. Take for example the way in which the Centre treated Gujarat in turbulent times as opposed to its approach towards the recent Manipur crisis. True, in the former case, it was Cyclone Biparoy, a natural calamity. In the latter, it was man-made bloodshed. But in both, there was immense human suffering. The Union government can be proud that there were no loss of lives despite the cyclone's terrible speed of 140 kmph. It carried out intense and effective rehabilitation measures. According to the home minister, about 1,08,208 civilians were moved to safety, 760 babies were delivered under medical care, and 73,000 animals were taken to safer locations.

Let us now come to the tragedy in Manipur. Unlike Gujarat, Manipur is a small state with an area of 22,327 sq km and a population of only 32 lakh. Throughout the horrific clash between the majority Meiteis and the minority Kukis in the state, the Centre has practically remained a mute spectator. Hundreds lost their lives and properties worth crores were damaged. The neglect of the issues in Manipur implies politicisation of the institutions of governance.

The Centre's apathy towards Manipur was in total contrast to its commendable vigilance in Gujarat. There was no timely effort to douse the man-made fire in Manipur. The state experienced a situation of lawlessness. During troubled times, a responsible government must see the people as a whole, without making a majority-minority distinction. The government's paramount duty is to ensure the peaceful coexistence of various communities by preserving the Rule of Law.

The Gujarat-Manipur contrast is not an accidental irony. In a way, it shows the deeper wounds inflicted upon the nation's polity. Indian federalism faces multiple and complex challenges, all of which are extremely serious. During the 2024 Lok Sabha election, these federalist concerns may take centre stage in India's political discourse. Every citizen is entitled to the fruits of constitutional governance, which if denied, would amount to placing party politics above the country. No democracy can afford it.

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ELIMINATING SOCIAL STIGMA TOWARDS MENTAL ILLNESS

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Your illness does not define you; it is not your identity!"

This has been universal in the practice of medicine throughout the ages. In associating an individual with their illness, the latter becomes an inevitable part of their lives. More so if it is a mental illness because why not—*"It's all in the mind."* Or at least that's how society has perceived mental health conditions for years.

Based on the National Mental Health Survey (2015–2016) in India, nearly 85% of individuals do not receive the healthcare they need for their mental illnesses, while one in five Indians suffer from a mental health condition.

Social stigma towards people having a mental illness is all-pervasive. A study by Shivani Mathur Gaiha and colleagues published in BMC Psychiatry in 2020 looked at all published research articles on the stigma among young Indians towards mental health issues. One-third of people had negative attitudes towards individuals with mental illness and had limited awareness about treatment options. Signs of mental illness often go unrecognised, and many young people believe it is incurable. Misconceptions, myths and misinformation about mental illness add to the stigma.

Labelling an individual with schizophrenia as "schizophrenic" or someone with dementia as "demented" equates the person with the "illness", depriving a person of their individual attributes. These terms are quite common in public discourse and media, depicting the ongoing approach towards mental health issues. In our daily practice, such instances occur when the family is glad to continue medicines for high blood sugar or high blood pressure but frowns when medicines for depression or anxiety disorders are included. Mental health conditions like depression, anxiety, dementia, schizophrenia, obsessive compulsive disorder, etc., are non-communicable disorders just like diabetes, hypertension and osteoarthritis, and need long-term treatment as well as lifestyle modifications and counselling.

Stigma towards an individual suffering from mental illness leads to negative experiences such as discrimination, social rejection and isolation. People do not seek help, hide their symptoms, and refrain from taking help from their family members for fear of shame, losing jobs, or being targeted by the community. There are still places where an odd thought or behaviour (like what happens in schizophrenia) is considered as the effect of a curse, witchcraft, black magic and other paranormal phenomena—and the possibility of a mental illness is never even considered! Much later, when the person is finally brought to us, symptoms have progressed, and they take time to recover. Delay in seeking help, especially for depression and trauma disorders (like PTSD) leads to an increase in deaths by suicide. The suicide rate in India is on the rise, with most occurring in the younger age group. Untreated and unrecognised depression and anxiety disorders form most of these deaths.

EXPRESS ILLUSTRATION

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Stigma can be of several types: Public stigma (discriminatory attitudes towards others), self-stigma (internalised shame, guilt and negative attitudes that people with mental illness have towards themselves), and institutional stigma (systemic policies that overtly or covertly promote and maintain social stigma towards mental illness).

Let's take a few examples. Public stigma makes someone wrongly believe that people with mental illness are violent.

Self-stigma can delay treatment for someone who may think it's a crime to be depressed and thus carry social shame: *"What if someone else knows about it?"*

Finally, fewer mental health services or reduced healthcare opportunities for people with mental illness may reflect institutional stigma.

This stigma has several adverse consequences: Reduced self-confidence, increase in depression and anxiety, isolation, problems with work and relationships, reluctance about treatment, lack of social support, misinformation, physical violence, bullying and negative stereotypes.

Stigma can also be a major factor in the workplace, based on a national poll conducted by the American Psychiatric Association in 2019. More than half of the workers did not want to divulge their mental health issues, while one in three believed that revealing their problems may lead to them getting fired. Only one in five workers was comfortable sharing their emotional issues.

Research shows that stigma must be dealt with at personal and policy levels. Connecting with someone who has a mental illness and exchanging narratives of lived experiences is one of the best ways to reduce stigma.

Several celebrities and prominent social figures have come forward to share their own stories of struggle and eventual triumph over mental illness, and they can serve as examples. Sensitive reporting on deaths by suicide, sensitisation to mental illness (and not sensationalising the issue), reporting recovery stories, and busting myths/misinformation about mental disorders—can be achieved through media. Community awareness programs conducted by several national and state-level institutes are needed to snowball mental health education and eliminate stigma.

Mental and physical illness must be considered equal in services, policy and funding—only then can the gap be bridged. Although still nascent, insurance coverage for mental health issues is vital to promote help-seeking. Several such moves have been targeted in the Mental Healthcare Act, 2017, but much remains to be implemented.

At a personal level, we can all be compassionate, informed and empathetic towards individuals with mental illness. We must also be conscious of our 'language' and attempt to empower them to live a meaningful life in society. Essentially, a nationwide commitment is necessary to end the stigma.

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Trolling journalist

Apropos of *White House condemns trolling of US journalist who questioned Modi* (June 28). Trolling WSJ reporter Sabrina Siddiqui was antithetical to the democratic principles PM Modi spoke of while answering the question. The onus is on New Delhi to take strong exception to any harassment attempts on the journalist, who was only trying to do her job.
C G Kuriakose, Kothamangalam

US technology

Ref: *Welcome tech deals with the US, but a balance is required* (June 28). The editorial has rightly pointed out that while the latest technologies are needed for military upliftment, a balanced relationship is required without compromising on Make in India and non-alignment. The US' 'big brother' attitude will be there in any of its deals. Of course, the PM's bonhomie could be welcomed if it would solve unemployment.
Rajakumar Arulanandham, Palayamkottai

Semiconductor progress

Micron Technology's proposal to establish a $2.75-bn semiconductor facility in Gujarat marks a significant milestone for our semiconductor industry, showing India's determination to develop a robust chip manufacturing ecosystem and reduce its dependence on China. Becoming a significant player requires long-term vision and collaboration between industry, academia and the government.
Bishal Kumar Saha, West Bengal

Temple tension

Ref: *HR&CE officer enters Kanagasabai amid temple tension* (June 28). It is highly deplorable that HR&CE is unnecessarily peeping into the rituals of the Chidambaram temple. When there are many big items for the government to focus on, this instance raises concern that the government is a "problem-seeker" instead of a "solution-seeker". The HR&CE minister's statement on taking control of the temple will make matters worse.
K Venkatasubramanian, Coimbatore

Preserving orality

Ref: *Preserving orality in the modern era* (June 28). Shiv Visvanathan's views on orality are refreshing. However, I wonder how he forgot to mention the greatest testimony conferred on orality, that is, the tradition of the Vedas.
V G R Swamy, email

Managing disasters

Ref: *Transforming India's disaster management* (June 27). Columnist Ata Hasnain really eulogises the teams who handled the rail and cyclone disasters. Kudos to the NDRF teams who followed the ten mantras, adeptly handling the disasters.
Ramesh S K, Ballari

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TWEETS OF THE DAY

Priyanka Gandhi Vadra @priyankagandhi
The model of diverting the attention of the people from the price rise they are facing, neither worked in Himachal and Karnataka, nor will it work in MP.

Saurabh Bharadwaj @Saurabh_MLAgk
The fight against corruption in the country can be fought only when the agencies remain completely independent.

Mehbooba Mufti @MehboobaMufti
Only genuine accountability will restore trust between civilians & armed forces. Kashmir is the only state where a pilgrimage like Amarnath Yatra coincides with Eid. This is the spirit of Kashmiriyat.

Cane price at ₹315/quintal, urea sops continue

5 crore sugarcane growers to gain from the highest-ever fair and remunerative price for October-September season

EXPRESS NEWS SERVICE @ New Delhi

IN A move that aims to benefit over 5 crore sugarcane growers, the government on Wednesday approved the Fair and Remunerative Price (FRP) of ₹315 per quintal for a basic recovery rate of 10.25% for 2023-24 season (October- September). This is the highest FRP that the farmers have ever got.

Announcing the decision taken at the Cabinet Committee on Economic Affairs, Union minister Anurag Singh Thakur said, "It has also been approved to provide a premium of ₹3.07 per quintal for each 0.1% increase in recovery over and above 10.25%, and reduction in FRP by ₹3.07 per quintal for every 0.1% decrease in recovery."

Further, with a view to protect the interest of sugarcane farmers, the government has also decided that there shall be no deduction in case of sugar mills where recovery is below 9.5%. Such farmers will get ₹291.975 per quintal for sugarcane in the ensuing sugar season of 2023-24, in place of ₹282.125 per quintal in current season of 2022-23.

The cost of production of sugarcane for 2023-24 is ₹157 per quintal. This FRP of ₹315 per quintal at a recovery rate of 10.25% is higher by 100.6% over the production cost. The FRP for 2023-24 is 3.28% higher than current sugar season.

The FRP approved shall be applicable for purchase of sugarcane from the farmers in 2023-24 (starting October 1, 2023) by sugar mills. Thakur said in the current season, about 3,353 lakh tonnes of sugarcane worth ₹1,11,366 crore was purchased by sugar mills, which is the second highest, next to the procurement of paddy at minimum support price.

Growth of ethanol as biofuel sector in the last five years has amply supported the sugarcane farmers and sugar sector, as diversion of sugarcane/sugar to ethanol has led to better financial positions for sugar mills due to faster payments, reduced working capital requirements and reduced blockage of funds due to less surplus sugar with mills, thereby enabling them to make timely payment of cane dues of farmers, Thakur said.

The Cabinet Committee on Economic Affairs, chaired by Prime Minister Narendra Modi, also approved a new scheme, PM-PRANAM, to promote alternative fertilisers and reduce the use of chemical ones. It also decided to continue the current urea subsidy scheme for three years ending March 2025, with an outlay of ₹3.68 lakh crore.

Union Chemicals and Fertilisers Minister Mansukh Mandaviya said that under the scheme, the states who will adopt alternative fertilisers will be incentivised with the subsidy that is saved by reducing the use of chemical fertilisers. Citing an example, suppose a state is using 10 lakh tonne of conventional fertiliser, and if it reduces its consumption by 3 lakh tonne, then the subsidy saving would be ₹3,000 crore. Out of that subsidy savings, the Centre will give 50 per cent of it — ₹1,500 crore to the state.

SWEET DEAL

The Centre has hiked the sugarcane FRP (Fair and Remunerative Price), the minimum price that mills pay to growers, for the 2023-24 season starting October

THE INCREASE ₹10 per quintal

THE PRICE ₹315 per quintal for 2023-24

COST OF PRODUCTION (2023-24) ₹157 per quintal

FRP of ₹315/quintal at a recovery rate of 10.25% is higher by 100.6% over the production cost (Sugar recovery refers to sugar produced after processing of a definite weight of sugarcane, expressed in percentage)

MILLS PURCHASE

2022-23 (marketing season)	2013-14
₹1,11,366 cr	₹57,104 cr

In 9 years of the Modi government, the FRP has increased by ₹105 from ₹210 per quintal in 2014-15 season to ₹315 per quintal for 2023-24

PLANTING SEEDS

The government has approved new scheme PM-PRANAM with an outlay of ₹3.70 lakh crore to promote alternative fertilisers. Urea subsidy scheme will, however, continue

Urea prices to remain the same at ₹242 per 45-kg bag, excluding taxes and neem coating charges

Of ₹3.70 lakh-crore, **₹3,68,676.7** crore committed for urea subsidy for three years (2022-23 to 2024-25).

₹38,000cr for phosphatic and potassic stays for '23-24

SUBSIDY FOR ORGANIC MANURE ₹1,500/TONNE

Alternative farming ₹1,451 crore subsidy to promote organic manure

Conventional fertilisers: Urea, DAP and NPK fertilisers

Sulphur-coated urea: More economical and efficient

NITROGEN ABSORPTION

CONVENTIONAL UREA 30% | SULPHUR-COATED UREA 78%

BOOST TO R&D ACTIVITIES

The Centre approved a bill to set up the National Research Foundation, a new funding agency, to bolster research competence in science and technology

NRF will forge collaborations among the industry, academia, and government departments and research institutions, and create an interface mechanism

The National Research Foundation (NRF): Will be established as an apex body to provide high-level strategic direction of scientific research

National Research Foundation Bill 2023 will be brought in the upcoming session of Parliament

It will replace the Science and Engineering Research Board — Act 2008

₹50,000 crore earmarked for research till 2027-28

₹14,000 crore will come directly from the government

₹36,000 crore would be garnered from public sector enterprises, industry, foundations and international research organisations

NRF will be governed by a Governing Board consisting of 15-25 eminent researchers and professionals across disciplines

The Prime Minister will be the ex-officio President of the Board

Union minister of science & technology and Union minister of education will be the ex-officio Vice-Presidents

Department of Science and Technology (DST) will be the administrative Department

NRF will be governed by an executive council, which will chaired by the Principal Scientific Adviser to the Government of India

NRF will help support research in the fields of natural sciences, engineering and tech, environmental and Earth sciences

New CWC likely in July; Pilot may get berth, but not Tharoor

PREETHA NAIR @ New Delhi & EJAZ KAISER @ Raipur

AHEAD of the upcoming state elections and a much-awaited announcement of the Congress Working Committee (CWC), the party top brass has been holding a series of meetings with leaders from the poll-bound states for the last two days in the capital.

Sources said the party is likely to announce a new CWC in the first week of July, eight months after Mallikarjun Kharge was elected as the Congress president. Kharge is in the process of appointing new general secretaries, and new chiefs in some state units. Indicating winds of change after its victory in the Karnataka elections, the party has recently inducted Rajya Sabha MP Shaktisinh Gohil as the new president of the Gujarat Congress unit.

Leaders had attributed the delay in the new CWC to the Karnataka elections and the new provision of inducting "50% of members under 50 years of age into the committee."

Sources said that with the expansion of the CWC to 35 members, Kharge may introduce new faces. A bigger role for senior leader Priyanka Gandhi Vadra is also on the cards, while

Congress leader Rahul Gandhi leaves the party headquarters after a meeting with Chhattisgarh party leaders in New Delhi on Wednesday | PARVEEN NEGI

K C Venugopal may continue as AICC general secretary (organisation).

Sources said the party chief may try to pacify Sachin Pilot with a berth in the CWC. However, Shashi Tharoor is unlikely to make it to the committee.

For poll-bound Chhattisgarh, Rahul Gandhi held a meeting with senior leaders of the state party on Wednesday. The meeting to chalk out poll strategies was attended by Kharge, Venugopal, Chhattisgarh CM Bhupesh Baghel, AICC general secretary (Chhattisgarh) Kumari Selja and others.

Party leaders brainstormed on how to project party unity ahead of the assembly polls.

The party saw its leaders speaking in different voices following a reshuffle of party general secretaries by the state party chief Mohan Markam. The move drew adverse reactions from many party leaders, including CM Bhupesh Baghel. "The party will fight Chhattisgarh polls as one as we did in 2018," said Selja.

A source said the party has discussed the tussle between Baghel and state Congress president Mohan Markam. The leaders said they won't allow the situation to go out of control.

On Tuesday, Congress brass also held a strategy meeting with leaders of the Telangana Congress, a day after 35 Bharat Rashtra Samithi (BRS) members joined the party.

TS Singhdeo appointed Chhattisgarh Deputy CM

EJAZ KAISER @ Raipur

AHEAD of the Assembly polls, the Chhattisgarh health minister T S Singhdeo, who is seen as the rival of Chief Minister Bhupesh Baghel, got elevated as the Deputy Chief Minister on Wednesday.

The Congress general secretary (organisation) KC Venugopal on Wednesday issued a statement on the approval for appointment of Singhdeo as the deputy CM in the Chhattisgarh government.

Baghel has congratulated Singhdeo and extended his good wishes.

Some months ago, Singhdeo, who kept his hopes alive on the reported "promise by the Congress leader Rahul Gandhi on 2.5 years power-sharing formula over rotation of the CM post", had then said that he will take the decision regarding his future after holding discussions with the party workers.

Though Singhdeo, who is also referred as 'Maharaj sahab' in political circles here, has often maintained that he will not join any other party despite getting offers, his explicit comments had then left many political observers familiar with the state politics as "wait and watch situation".

Modi meets BJP brass, discusses organisational rejig ahead of polls

RAJESH KUMAR THAKUR @ New Delhi

THE Bharatiya Janata Party (BJP) may make some crucial changes within the organisation on Thursday or a day after, to strengthen the party ahead of the next general elections due in 2024 and the assembly polls in Madhya Pradesh, Rajasthan, chhattisgarh and Telangana.

Late on Wednesday, Prime Minister Narendra Modi chaired a meeting with BJP's senior leaders including Amit Shah, JP Nadda and BL Santosh at his residence and reportedly did some brainstorming over the proposed moves to be taken within the party.

Sources said the meeting held wider discussions over issues such as making some addition to the party organisation, appointing four to five new general secretaries and others at the party's top ranks, to ensure equal representation from across the country.

If sources are to be believed, BJP chief JP Nadda, organisational head BL Santosh or party headquarters-in-charge Arun Singh may announce the final decisions either on Thursday or soon after that day.

Apart from making a well-calculated move within the organisation, the sources also hinted that the PM reviewed the party's preparations for the upcoming elections in Madhya Pradesh, Rajasthan and Chhattisgarh, in view of the emerging political situations in each of these states.

"The PM might have certainly discussed every aspect of the Uniform Civil Code (UCC) after speaking about it in Madhya Pradesh on June 27, as UCC has become one of the prime concerns for the BJP ahead of the 2024 Lok Sabha polls," hinted a senior party functionary, preferring anonymity.

The leaders' meeting continued for an hour, with the PM going through every issue minutely and giving a final say on vital issues like making changes in the organisation in a very cautious and calculated manner, according to sources.

This newspaper has reliably learnt that some discussions were held over the possible reshuffle in the Union Cabinet, as the tenure of some of the BJP Rajya Sabha MPs are soon to end either this month and the coming months.

External Affairs minister S Jaishankar's tenure in the Rajya Sabha will end next month and the election for Rajya Sabha seats that will soon to fall vacant has also been announced. Sources said the leaders had discussed this as well and the new face in place of Jaishankar will fielded soon.

It is believed that the BJP wants Jaishankar to contest Lok Sabha elections from the New Delhi seat and if this is going to be true,the BJP may soon anounce a new face for the Rajya Sabha elections in July, to be held for 10 vacant seats.

"Everything will be cleared in the next few days after this meeting," a BJP leader said.

S Jaishankar's Rajya Sabha tenure to end soon

External Affairs minister Dr S Jaishankar's tenure in the Rajya Sabha will end next month. The BJP's top leaders had discussed this with the Prime Minister late on Wednesday, and the new face in place of Jaishankar is will be fielded soon. It is believed that the BJP wants Jaishankar to contest Lok Sabha elections from the New Delhi seat. The election to fill up the 10 vacant Rajya Sabha seats will be held in July.

Push for precast material in highway projects

PARVEZ SULTAN @ New Delhi

AMIDST deliberations over mandatory usage of precast concrete elements in national highway projects, the Union Ministry of Road Transport and Highways (MoRTH) has started pushing developers to employ construction components produced in controlled factory environments.

The ministry, through an office memorandum, recently made attempts to persuade construction companies involved in the development of the national highways in this regard, saying that it will help all stakeholders in the long run.

The ministry, on April 1 this year, decided to mandatorily use 25 per cent factory-manufactured concrete elements, out of the total volume, other than the foundation work in projects initiated within 100 km radius of the precast concrete factory. The aim was reduction of pollution at construction sites, rapid progress and improved aesthetics.

Speaking at the National Conference for Civil Engineers and Professionals from Allied Industries in August, Union Road Transport and Highways Minister Nitin Gadkari reiterated that the government wanted to make precast mandatory at least in Road under Bridges and Road over Bridges.

Along with the memo issued on Thursday, the ministry has also circulated among the agencies carrying out highway development a two-page note on benefits of industrialised precast concrete elements.

Ready-to-use concrete has multiple benefits

Precast concrete has the benefits of all-weather and fast construction, reliable quality and enhanced performance durability, aesthetics due to uniformity in appearance, minimum construction time, reduced carbon emission, and reduced noise and air pollution due to reduced construction activities at the site. To add to that, it will also play an integral role in accelerating the growth of MSMEs, the Ministry of Road Transport said in a note

"Precast concrete has the benefits of all-weather and fast construction, reliable quality and enhanced performance durability, aesthetics due to uniformity in appearance, minimum construction time, reduced carbon emission, and reduced noise and air pollution due to reduced construction activities at the site. To add to that, it will also play an integral role in accelerating the growth of the MSME (Micro, Small and Medium Enterprises) sector," read the memorandum sent to all senior officials of the ministry, National Highways Authority of India, National Highways and Infrastructure Development Corporation Limited and the National Highway Builders Federation.

The ministry also wants construction companies to develop their own benchmark for "wider adoption" of precast concrete. "Mandatory use of industrialised precast elements in National Highway (NH) projects is under consideration of the government. The construction firms working in NH projects are however encouraged to use industrialised precast concrete elements in their projects, considering the benefits. This will in the long run be beneficial to all stakeholders," stated the note.

At present, precast concrete elements are being used in construction of Delhi-Mumbai Expressway. Last month, the ministry sought feedback from stakeholders on the proposed amendments for implementation of the policy.

Rover to carry out chemical analysis

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CHANDRAYAAN 3 consists of a propulsion module, lander module and a rover with an objective of developing and demonstrating new technologies required for inter-planetary missions. The propulsion module will take the lander and rover up to the 100-km mark of the lunar orbit and release the lander to make the touchdown while carrying the rover in its belly.

The lander will soft-land at a specified lunar site and deploy the rover, which will carry out on site chemical analysis of the lunar surface during the course of its mobility. The lander and the rover have scientific payloads to carry out experiments on the lunar surface over its mission life of 14 earth days (1 lunar day).

Chandrayaan 3 is a follow-up mission of Chandrayaan 2 which was launched in 2019. Chandrayaan 2 consisted of a lunar orbiter, lander and a lunar rover. However, the lander failed while attempting to soft land on the Moon's surface. Chandrayaan 3 will continue its predecessor's mission.

WHAT'S ON BOARD?

LANDER PAYLOADS

Chandra's Surface Thermophysical Experiment (ChaSTE) to measure thermal conductivity and temperature; Instrument for Lunar Seismic Activity (ILSA) for measuring seismicity around the landing site; Langmuir Probe (LP) to estimate plasma density and its variations. A passive Laser Retroreflector Array from NASA is accommodated for lunar laser ranging studies.

ROVER PAYLOADS

Alpha Particle X-ray Spectrometer and Laser Induced Breakdown Spectroscopy for deriving elemental composition in the vicinity of the landing site.

PROPULSION MODULE PAYLOAD

Spectro-polarimetry of Habitable Planet Earth (SHAPE) payload to study spectral and Polari metric measurements of Earth from the lunar orbit.

POCHER HELD

A rhino poacher, allegedly wanted in several cases of wildlife crimes, was arrested in Assam's Morigaon district, police said on Wednesday. A rifle and nine rounds of ammunition were found on him, police said

03 KILLED IN ROAD ACCIDENT IN HARYANA

INDIA	Max	Min		Max	Min
Ahmedabad	29	26	Mumbai	30	26
Bhopal	28	24	Panaji	29	27
Jaipur	33	25	Patna	36	26
Amritsar	35	26	Lucknow	37	28
Chennai	35	29	Port Blair	32	27
Kolkata	30	26	Imphal	29	22
Srinagar	30	15	Chandigarh	33	25

BJP sharpens strategy post Opposition conclave in Patna on June 23, and in election-bound Rajasthan, it projects PM Modi as its face

Ahead of Shah's Bihar visit, Nitish calls on Guv

It was a courtesy visit to the Governor. I congratulated him for running state universities' affairs in a better way. No political meaning should be read in it.

Sushil Modi, BJP leader

Dateline Lakhisarai

Preparations are complete for the visit of home minister Amit Shah at Lakhisarai, which comes under the Munger Lok Sabha constituency, held by JD-U MP Rajiv Ranjan Singh alias Lalan Singh.

RAMASHANKAR @ Patna

A day ahead of Union Home Minister Amit Shah's visit to Lakhisarai in Munger district, Bihar chief minister Nitish Kumar and senior BJP leader Sushil Kumar Modi called on state governor Rajendra Vishwanath Arlekar at Raj Bhawan, separately on Wednesday.

Nitish visited Raj Bhawan first and also inspected the ongoing renovation work of 'Rajendra Mandapam' inside the Raj Bhawan premises. He also directed the authorities to accelerate the pace of work and complete it on time. The Rajendra Mandapam hosts swearing-in ceremonies.

Nitish is expected to expand his cabinet before July 10 when the monsoon session of the state assembly begins. The swearing-in of new ministers will be held at Raj Bhawan and so it is necessary that repair work should be completed before July 10, sources said.

Soon after Nitish left Raj Bhawan, former Bihar deputy chief minister and BJP MP Modi reached Raj Bhawan and met the governor.

Although it is not known what transpired at the meeting between the governor and Modi, the BJP leader said that it was only a coincidence that he met the governor soon after Nitish. "No political meaning should be attached to it", he added.

Modi said that it was merely a courtesy visit as both he and the governor

were members of Akhil Bharatiya Vidyarthi Parishad. He said he met the governor to congratulate him for running state universities' affairs in a better manner.

Both leaders held meetings with the governor for around 30 minutes each. Modi expressed his displeasure over the change in the domicile policy of the state government to make candidates from outside the state eligible for their appointment as teachers in government schools.

The speculation over yet another political realignment rose as it was initially rumoured that both Nitish and Modi were together at Raj Bhawan, which turned out to be false later.

In Bihar, cabinet expansion is long overdue as two ministers from RJD, Kartikeya Kumar and Sudhakar Singh resigned their posts. The Congress has also been insisting on more ministerial berths.

Rajnath begins campaign in Raj, Nadda to follow

Modi's leadership has transformed India's global standing. BJP fulfills all its promises, whether it is the abrogation of Article 370 or the construction of a Ram temple

Rajnath Singh, Defence Minister

Rally on Gehlot turf

Rajnath Singh's rally took place at CM Ashok Gehlot's turf. The BJP has no CM face for the Assembly polls due later this year. Many party leaders, including Nadda and Amit Shah, are expected in the state beginning June 29.

RAJESH ASNANI @ Jaipur

RAISING the BJP pitch in Chief Minister Ashok Gehlot's turf in poll-bound Rajasthan, Defence Minister Rajnath Singh on Wednesday said the world now listens attentively to what India says as its stature has risen in the past nine years.

The Defence Minister was speaking at a public rally in Balesar town of Rajasthan's Jodhpur district. "The whole world is looking towards India as the country's position has strengthened manifold," he said.

Defence Minister Singh highlighted the works and schemes undertaken in the last nine years of the Modi government. The huge gathering was organised in the Shergarh Assembly constituency area in Balesar which is a Rajput-dominated area.

The visit was an attempt to tap the Rajput votes as the BJP seeks to improve its prospects in the Marwar region of west Rajasthan. This is the political turf where CM Ashok Gehlot has dominated for the past three decades as Jodhpur is his hometown.

Highlighting PM Modi's achievements, Singh emphasized that Modi's leadership has transformed India's global standing.

The Defence Minister asserted that the BJP fulfills all promises it makes, whether it is the abrogation of Article 370 or the construction of a grand Ram temple.

The BJP has not yet declared a chief ministerial (CM) face for this Assembly polls due in a few months. In the past four elections, Vasundhara Raje has been the face of the party in Rajasthan, but this time, the party has taken a different approach.

Sources indicate that the party intends to contest the election based on PM Modi's popularity. As a result, several party leaders are expected to visit the state in the coming days.

Continuing the series of BJP's prominent leaders addressing public gatherings, BJP chief JP Nadda will hold a meeting in Bharatpur on June 29. Nadda will also inaugurate the new party office building in Bharatpur and hold a meeting with district office-bearers.

The next day, on Friday, Union Minister Amit Shah will also visit Rajasthan. He will address a big rally in Udaipur. The BJP is likely to release a report card of the Modi government.

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Giriraj makes disparaging comment on Nitish

Union minister and BJP's firebrand leader Giriraj Singh, known for his acerbic comments, while drawing an analogy, compared chief minister Nitish Kumar to a 'bachelor' in a bride-grooms race to become the Opposition's PM face. Giriraj claimed Nitish was hopeful of being declared as the convener of the alliance of Opposition parties but it could not happen and thus, Kumar remained a bachelor. Opposition leaders had met in the state capital on June 23, declaring that they would fight LS election against BJP together. Giriraj said it was not for the first time Nitish remained a 'bachelor'. It was so in Telangana too, he said.

Grand Alliance set to unravel, says Prashant

Grand Alliance's disintegration is certain, poll strategist Prashant Kishor claimed. His remark came only a few days after the opposition leaders from across the country assembled in the state capital and decided to contest LS polls against BJP together. PK claimed that chief minister Nitish Kumar had joined the grand alliance with planning. He said, "In 2015, I had formed the grand alliance in Bihar, so I know what will be the future of this alliance." PK said that since the 2020 assembly elections, Nitish was aware that it would not be possible for him to remain CM for a long time.

Collapse of another bridge sparks row

A fresh controversy erupted over collapse of another bridge over the Ganga in Vaishali district. The pontoon bridge built at a cost of ₹10 crore collapse after a strong wind ripped through the district. People remained stranded on the bridge as a portion was washed away due to strong wind. The bridge connecting Raghopur to Vaishali district headquarters was only means of transportation for people living in riverine belt of Raghopur, the assembly constituency of deputy CM Tejashwi Prasad Yadav. Taking a swipe at Tejashwi, who is also road construction department minister, a BJP leader said, "Grand alliance government is deep-rooted in graft."

New sea link in Mumbai to be named after Vajpayee

SUDHIR SURYAWANSHI @ Mumbai

MAHARASHTRA cabinet on Wednesday decided to rename the 21 kilometer sea link Mumbai Trans Harbour Link (MTHL) – Sewri to Nhava Sheva after late PM Atal Bihari Vajpayee while another sea link — Bandra to Versova — has been named after VD Savarkar.

According to the Maharashtra cabinet note, 95 per cent work of MTHL has been completed. It will be opened for the public by December 2023.

Sudhir Mungantiwar, Maharashtra culture minister informed that these both sea links MTHL and Bandra to Versova have been named as Atal Sethu and Swatantravir Savarkar Sethu respectively.

Besides, in cabinet it was also decided to allocate ₹210 crore for Hindurudhaysamrat Balasaheb Thackeray's Apala Davakhna – health clinic.

Government has decided to open these health clinics in 700 locations against the 155 across the state. Presently, these clinics are operated in Mumbai and suburbs, but it will now be opened in other parts of the state.

For fourth year in a row, no Eid prayer at Eidgah in Srinagar

FAYAZ WANI @ Srinagar

THE authorities have decided against allowing Eid congregational prayers at the Eidgah ground in Srinagar.

According to Anjuman-e-Auqaf, the management committee of Kashmir's grand mosque Jamia Masjid, authorities have conveyed to the management that Eid-ul-Adha prayers will not be allowed at the central Eidgah Srinagar on Eid on June 29.

"The district administration officials today morning conveyed this decision to Anjuman Auqaf officials," a spokesman of Anjuman Auqaf said.

The Anjuman Auqaf had announced that Eid prayers will be held at Eidgah in Srinagar at 9 am. The Anjuman criticized the barring of Eid prayers at Eidgah ground by the authorities.

"It is extremely unfortunate and condemnable. It will hurt the sentiments of lakhs of Muslims of the valley and outside and presents a poor reflection on the state of affairs in J&K," the Anjuman spokesman said.

The Eid prayers have not been held at the Eidgah, which is a sensitive downtown locality, since the abrogation of Articles 370 and 35A by centre on

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Anjuman spokesperson

August 5, 2019.

Spread over 600 kanals of land in Eidgah locality of Srinagar, the ground hosts 15th century Aali Masjid, the second largest mosque in Kashmir after Jamia Masjid.

The head cleric of Jama Masjid and senior Hurriyat leader Mirwaiz Umar Farooq has been under house detention since August 5, 2019, when the centre had scrapped Articles 370 and 35A.

Mirwaiz used to give the Eid sermon at the Eidgah before Eid prayers.

Priests object to Eid prayers near Badrinath

NARENDRA SETHI @ Dehradun

THE police in Badrinath held a meeting with 'panda-purohits,' head priests, contractors and labourers engaged in various works at Badrinath Dham, where priests opposed Eid prayers around Badrinath Dham.

"There is no tradition of offering Eid prayers as per religious beliefs," Badrish Panda Panchayat president Praveen Dhyani told this newspaper.

"It is not permissible to build a place of worship of any religion other than Hinduism from Hanuman Chatti onwards till Badrinath Dham. it is the tradition of Sanatan Dharma," he said, adding apart from Lord Badri Vishal, no other temple can be built there.

In 2021, when 40 Muslims offered prayers near the Badrinath temple complex as a result of restrictions on movement due to the lockdown, Hindu organisations had strongly opposed it.

Cabinet clears scheme on alternative fertilisers

EXPRESS NEWS SERVICE @ New Delhi

THE Union Cabinet on Wednesday took a raft of decisions to incentivise states to promote sustainable agriculture, including organic farming and alternative fertilisers, while extending the urea subsidy scheme for three years.

Called PM PRANAM (PM Programme for Restoration, Awareness Generation, Nourishment, and Amelioration of Mother-Earth), the schemes include promoting natural and organic farming, alternative fertilisers, nano fertilisers and bio fertilisers to restore soil fertility. The proposals approved by the Cabinet Committee on Economic Affairs have a total outlay of ₹3.7 lakh crore, most of which is for urea subsidy.

"It is crucial to return to more natural farming methods and promote a balanced and sustainable use of chemical fertilisers," Union health minister Mansukh Mandaviya said. PM PRAMAN was among the policy announcements made in the general budget in February.

Suppose a state uses 10 lakh tonne of conventional fertiliser. If it reduces its consumption by 3 lakh tonne, then the subsidy saving would be ₹3,000 crore. Out of that subsidy savings, the Centre will give 50% of it — ₹1,500 crore to the state for promoting the use of alternative fertilisers and other development works, Mandaviya said. The CCEA also decided to introduce sulphur-coated urea for the first time to address sulphur deficiency in the soil.

EXPRESS READ

UP bans meat sale in open along Kanwar Yatra route

Lucknow: The Uttar Pradesh government has decided to ban sale of meat in the open along the route of Kanwar Yatra, beginning July 4. Chief Minister Yogi Adityanath issued directions in this regard after a meeting with senior officials. "The Kanwar Yatra will commence from July 4. Before this, Bakri Eid will be celebrated on June 29. This time is sensitive from the point of view of law and order. So, we have to be alert," said the CM. "Respecting the belief of devotees, meat should not be allowed to be sold in the open on the Kanwar Yatra route. The route should remain clean and sanitised," he added.

Everyone in this C'garh village goes fishing as ritual to please local deity

EJAZ KAISER @ Raipur

BANDHA Mataur, a unique fair that reflects an age-old tradition at Makdi in Kondagaon, was reintroduced this year with much fanfare. In the fair, thousands of people carry out fishing together in a pond for fixed hours as a ritual. The local village headman leads the ritual.

The fair at Kondagaon, about 230 km south of Chhattisgarh capital, is observed in a special pond every year, but the practice was discontinued in 2008 after the village-level water body was given on a lease for aquaculture.

"The fair exhibits an occasion as part of the annual custom imparted by the local population. It was reintroduced with a splendid display and playing of music. The lease has been discontinued now. People from around 40 villages participated with fervour. The malguzar (the village headman) performed puja following which everyone was allowed to fish," said Jivanlal Pandey, Barkai village patel.

A large number of people entered the reservoir with nets to catch fishe | **Express**

Around 2,000 people entered the big reservoir with their fishing nets to catch fishes and they got engaged for an hour and a half. There were fishes trapped almost in every net with a minimum of 3 kg to a maximum of 10 kg. Everyone who participated considered the occasion as auspicious for their villages, said Israr Ahmed, a TV journalist based in Kondagaon. Such tradition of fishing in masses is followed to please the local goddess 'Matarani'. "Such tradition is not seen anywhere in the state. The villagers are actually not professional fishermen but they try engaged themselves to fish better," said a local authority in Kondagaon.

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Assam to start 'pig schools', send farmers abroad

PRASANTA MAZUMDAR @ Guwahati

ASSAM's Bodoland Territorial Council (BTC) is anticipating an economic turnaround for Bodoland Territorial Region (BTR) riding on the pig's back. The autonomous BTC, which administers five districts falling under BTR, is sending 50 farmers, who have traditional knowledge in animal husbandry, to Denmark so they can learn everything about pigs. By collaborating with the Scandinavian country, it is also starting some "pig schools".

BTC chief **Pramod Bodo** struck on the idea of "pig as panacea" to bring about sustainable change in economy through this staple food of the Bodos and other tribals in the Northeast.

He said it is a matter of days that the BTC would sign a memorandum of understanding with Denmark. It will provide a technical know-how to the Bodo farmers on pig farming. A team from BTC visited Denmark and similarly, a Danish delegation visited BTR recently.

"Denmark supplies its pigs to countries all over the world and

it has no competitor in pig farming," the BTC chief said, adding the 50 farmers would become master trainers for 60,000 pig farmers in BTR.

"By tying up with Denmark, we are going to start some pig schools in BTR. The Danish course is of three years but our schools will start with a one-year course," Bodo said.

He said the pig schools in BTR would be on the Danish model although indigenous ideas would be incorporated.

"We will lay thrust on quality production of pigs," he said, adding, "Under our Pig Mission, we are aiming at per day meat production of 1 lakh kg."

Pig schools & the Danish connection

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Stating that the farmers have been identified, Bodo said training on biosecurity was under way while biosecurity kits were also being distributed.

He said the BTC allocated ₹17 crore in the last financial year and ₹ 4 crore this fiscal under Pig Mission. Money is given for various activities, including training.

The BTC authorities have designed hygienic meat stalls with glass binding, refrigerators and solar power. These stalls will be operational from July. After the return of peace, thanks to the BTR peace accord signed with some rebel groups, the BTC took up several initiatives for livelihood generation and infrastructure development. Animal husbandry, education, agriculture and horticulture are the other thrust areas.

Under Bodofa Livelihood Mission, the BTC has earmarked ₹61 crore whereby 80,000 families will be supported for small-scale plantations.

The goats of Northeast are high in demand and so under Goat Mission, a semen production centre will be set up for artificial insemination to get high breed goats.

"We have started the production of high value crops such as dragon fruit, strawberry and cocoa. The BTR's annual agricultural business transactions are of about ₹2,000 crore. When I took over in 2020, our maize production was 14,000-16,000 metric tonnes. We worked so well that we will get 27,000 MTs of maize this year," Bodo said.

The BTC has also launched a cooperative movement for former insurgents. They will work in sectors like poultry farming, dairy and plantations.

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teenagers killed after their car submerged in a rentention pond in the US

GLOBAL WEATHER

LR: Light Rain • HR: Heavy Rain • SW: Snow • TDS: Thundershower • LC: Light Cloud • SNY: Sunny

Beijing	31	18	TDS	Los Angeles	20	14	LC
Colombo	31	26	LC	Melbourne	15	11	HR
Dhaka	34	28	TDS	Moscow	20	8	HR
Dubai	39	30	SNY	New York	23	18	LC
Houston	36	25	SNY	Singapore	32	28	TDS
Istanbul	24	18	LC	Toronto	20	13	LC
London	28	16	LC	Washington	25	15	LC

Firefighters extinguish fire from a vehicle after it was set ablaze by protesters in Nanterre, west of Paris on Wednesday | AFP

Violent protests in Paris as teen shot dead by cop

Shot in the chest from a point blank range during traffic stop in western Paris suburb

PARIS

FRANCE braced for more angry protests on Wednesday after the killing of a teenager by police during a traffic stop that President Emmanuel Macron called "unforgivable".

The government said it would deploy 2,000 riot police to deal with any unrest, a day after a 17-year-old was shot in the chest by a police officer who then appeared to lie about the circumstances of the killing.

The shooting had already sparked unrest in several Paris suburbs overnight.

Celebrities and politicians expressed outrage and grief at the death of the teenager. Macron called it "inexplicable" and "unforgivable".

The teenager, named only as Nahel M, was pulled over by two policemen on Tuesday for breaking traffic rules, prosecutors said.

Police initially reported that one officer had shot at the teenager because he was driving his car at him, but this version of events was contradicted by a video circulating on social media and authenticated by AFP.

The footage shows the two policemen actually standing by the side of the stationary car, with one pointing a weapon at the driver. A voice is heard saying, "You are going to get a bullet in the head."

The police officer then appears to fire point blank as the car abruptly drives off.

The car moved a few dozen metres before crashing. The driver died shortly after. His death sparked immediate protests in Nanterre, a western Paris suburb, the scene of the shooting.

Bins were set alight and a fire broke out at a music school, while police tried to disperse the protesters with tear gas.

Protests then spread to some neighbouring suburbs. Interior Minister Gerald Darmanin said Wednesday that 31 people had been arrested overnight, 24 police slightly injured and around 40 cars torched. "A teenager was killed. That is inexplicable and unforgivable," President Emmanuel Macron said during an official visit to Marseille, southern France. The case had "moved the entire nation", he said, also expressing "respect and affection" for the family of the victim.

Prime Minister Elisabeth Borne tweeted she hoped that "our absolute demand for the truth will allow calm to prevail over anger". *AFP*

> **A teenager was killed. That is inexplicable and unforgivable. Nothing can justify the death of a young person**
>
> Emmanuel Macron, French president

10 killed in Russian attack on Ukraine pizzeria, 61 injured

KYIV

UKRAINIAN authorities arrested on Wednesday a man they accused of helping Russia direct a missile strike that killed at least 10 people, including three teenagers, at a popular pizza restaurant in eastern part of Ukraine.

The attack on Tuesday evening in Kramatorsk wounded 61 other people, Ukraine's National Police said, in the latest bombardment of a Ukrainian city, a tactic Russia has used heavily in the 16-month-old war. The strike, and others elsewhere across Ukraine late on Tuesday and early Wednesday, indicated that the Kremlin is not easing its aerial onslaught despite its political and military turmoil caused by a short-lived uprising last weekend.

There has been no apparent military push by Ukraine to exploit that turmoil, though the government has been tight-lipped about recent battlefield developments as it seeks to gain momentum in its recently launched counteroffensive.

The Kremlin reeled from the weekend mutiny led by Yevgeny Prigozhin, owner of the Wagner private army of prison recruits and other mercenaries which has played a key role for Russia in Ukraine. The rebellion was the gravest threat so far to Russian President Vladimir Putin's grip on power.Prigozhin went into exile in neighbouring Belarus on Tuesday, according to Belarus President Alexander Lukashenko, after Russia said he wouldn't face charges for the revolt.

Prigozhin's whereabouts could not be independently confirmed. Two sisters, both age 14, died in the Kramatorsk attack, the city council's educational department said.

"Russian missiles stopped the beating of the hearts of two angels," it said in a Telegram post. The other dead teenager was 17, according to Prosecutor General Andrii Kostin.

The attack also damaged 18 multistory buildings, 65 houses, five schools, two kindergartens, a shopping center, an administrative building and a recreational building, regional Governor Pavlo Kyrylenko said. Rescuers are still searching the rubble for bodies and more survivors.

Officials initially blamed the strike in Kramatorsk on an S-300 missile, a surface-to-air weapon that Russia's forces have repurposed for loosely targeted strikes on cities, but the National Police later said Iskander short-range ballistic missiles were used. Kramatorsk is a front-line city that houses the Ukrainian army's regional headquarters. The pizza restaurant was frequented by journalists, aid workers and soldiers, as well as local residents. *AFP*

Rescuers and volunteers work to rescue people from under the rubble after Russian missile strike hit a restaurant and several houses in Kramatorsk on Wednesday | AFP

PIO sentenced for smuggling Indians using Uber in US

NEW YORK

A 49-year-old Indian-origin man was sentenced to over three years in jail for smuggling more than 800 Indian citizens into the US using ride-hailing app Uber.

Rajinder Pal Singh pleaded guilty in February, admitting that he took in more than $5,00,000 as a key member of a smuggling ring, bringing in hundreds of Indian nationals across the border from Canada, the Department of Justice said in a press release. Singh was sentenced on Tuesday in a US District Court to "45 months in prison for Conspiracy to Transport and Harbor Certain Aliens for Profit and Conspiracy to Commit Money Laundering," said Acting US Attorney Tessa M Gorman. "Over a four-year period, Mr Singh arranged for more than 800 people to be smuggled into the US across the northern border and into Washington State," said Gorman.

She asserted that Singh's conduct was not just a security risk for Washington but also subjected those smuggled to security and safety perils during the often weeks-long smuggling route from India to the US. *PTI*

Indian-origin lawyer wins top US constitutional case

WASHINGTON

INDIAN-ORIGIN attorney Neal Katyal has argued and won perhaps the most important constitutional case in US history. Representing NGO Common Cause, Katyal argued against the fringe theory advanced by Republicans that state legislatures have unchecked powers to decide voting laws.

The Republican lawmakers in North Carolina had argued before the Supreme Court in December that state legislatures should have the sole authority to decide who votes, where and how in presidential and congressional elections. In a 6-3 decision penned by Chief Justice John Roberts, the nation's highest court rejected the so-called "independent state legislature" theory. "The Elections Clause does not insulate state legislatures from the ordinary exercise of state judicial review," Roberts wrote.

The case, Moore vs Harper, stemmed from an electoral dispute in North Carolina. The 2020 census found that the state's population had increased, earning it an extra seat in the US House of Representatives.

North Carolina lawmakers redrew the congressional map to add a new district but the state supreme court threw it out, arguing that it favored Republicans by grouping Democrats in certain districts, diluting their vote. North Carolina lawmakers appealed to the Supreme Court arguing that local courts were usurping their authority and urged the apex court to green-light the implementation of the map. A handful of NGOs including Common Cause sued to block the implementation of the maps. Former Democratic president Barack Obama welcomed the decision. "Today, the Supreme Court rejected the fringe independent state legislature theory that threatened to upend our democracy and dismantle our system of checks and balances," Obama tweeted.

PUBLIC NOTICE

The Public is hereby informed that my client **Sri. B.N. Sudaya**, S/o G.V. Narasimhamurthy, R/at. No.14, "Yodha", First Floor, 2nd Main, KPA Block, Chandra Layout, Vijayanagar, Bengaluru-560040, (Mob:9945698561/9900100549), has agreed to purchase the schedule property, from its owner **Sri. A.R. Arun Kumar**, S/o Late H.S. Ramachandra Shastry, R/at No.105, 4th Cross, Canara Bank Colony, Near Sky Line Apartments, Nagarbhavi, Bengaluru - 560 072 and he is an absolute owner in peaceful possession and enjoyment of the Schedule Property and the Sale Deed, Katha, Tax and other Revenue documents are stands in the name of A. R. Arun Kumar and the said property is self-acquired of A.R. Arun Kumar and my client has entered into Agreement of sale dated 18-03-2023 with the A.R. Arun Kumar. The public in general or any persons or anybody if having any Right, Title, Interest, claim or share in respect of the schedule property are hereby requested to inform or contact with supporting documents in the following address **within 15 days** from the date of publication of this notice. If there are no objections or claim informed within the stipulated time with supporting documents, my client would proceed further to registration of the Absolute Sale Deed in respect of the schedule property, as if there are no Claims or objections and the property mentioned in the schedule hereunder is free from all encumbrances. The claims registered thereafter will not be entertained.

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In Respect of the E-Auction Sale Notice published in this newspaper on **24.06.2023** pertaining to **Borrower Name : M/s SBM Centri Cast Pvt Ltd,** which is Scheduled on **13.07.2023** stands withdrawn.

Date : 28.06.2023 Sd/- Authorised officer
Place: Bangalore Union Bank of India

IN THE COURT OF THE HON'BLE XXII ADDL CHIEF METROPOLITAN MAGISTRATE AT BENGALURU
Crl. Mis. No. 2887/2023

Petitioner : P. ARUL DASS
V/s.
Respondent : Chief Register/ Commissioner of Births & Deaths, BBMP, Bangalore.

PUBLIC NOTICE

The undersigned advocate submit on behalf of my client **P. ARUL DASS S/o. Late Ponnuraj** aged about 68 years, R/at Near Missions School, Nagawara Main Road, Kadugondanahalli Bangalore-560045 and others have filed the death petition for the death certificate of deceased by name **A. GLADYS SUREKHA, D/o. P. ARUL DASS who was died on 06-05-2021** at Near Missions School, Nagawara Main Road, Kadugondanahalli Bangalore-560045. If any parties who have objections may dispute regarding the same or appear before the Hon'ble 22nd A.C.M.M. Court on **19/07/2023 at 11-00 AM in C. Misc. No. 2887/2023.**

BY ORDER OF THE COURT
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Place : Bangalore Canara Bank

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The following borrower/s have defaulted in the repayment of principal and interest of the loans facility obtained by them from the Bank and the loans have been classified as Non-Performing Assets (NPA). A notice was issued to them under Section 13 (2) of Securitisation and Re-construction of Financial Assets and Enforcement of Security Interest Act-2002 on their last known addresses, however it was not served and hence they are hereby notified by way of this public notice.

Sr. No.	Name of the Borrower/ Co-Borrower/ Guarantor/ (Loan Account Number) & Address	Property Address of Secured Asset/ Asset to be Enforced	Date of Notice Sent/ Outstanding as on Date of Notice	NPA Date
1.	Vinjamuri Mallesham/ Allam Sailaja/ K 601 Ncc Medows 2 Doddabalapur Ananthapura Gate Puttenahalli, Bangalore Karnataka Bangalore-560064/ LBBNG00004919146	Schedule 'A' Property: Item No. 1:- All that piece and parcel of the residentially Converted Land being a portion of Survey No.81, Situated at Puttenahalli Village, Yelahanka Hobil, Bangalore North Taluk, measuring 1 Acres and bounded as follows:- East by: Bangalore -Doddaballapur Road West by: Remaining portion of Sy No.81 belonging to K.V. Jayamma North by: Remaining portion of Sy No.81 belonging to NCCL South by : Remaining portion of Sy No.80. Item No. 2:- All that piece and parcel of the residentially Converted Land being a portion of Survey No. 81, Situated at Puttenahalli Village, Yelahanka Hobli, Bangalore North Taluk, measuring 38 guntas and bounded as follows:- East by : Remaining portion of Sy No.81 belonging to K.V. Venugopal, West by : Ananthapura Village Boundary North by: Remaining portion of Sy No.81 belonging to NCCL South by : Sy No.80 Item No. 3- All that piece and parcel of the residentially Converted Land being a portion of Survey No. 81, Situated at Puttenahalli Village, Yelahanka Hobli, Bangalore North Taluk, measuring 1 Acre 32 guntas and bounded as follows:- East by: Bangalore Doddaballapur Road, West by: Ananthapura Village Boundary North by: Remaining portion of Sy No.81 belonging to NCCL South by : Remaining portion of Sy No.81 belonging to K.V. Venugopal Item No. 4- All that piece and parcel of the residentially Converted Land being a portion of Survey No. 81, Situated at Puttenahalli Village, Yelahanka Hobli, Bangalore North Taluk, measuring 1 Acre 22 guntas and bounded as follows:- East by : Bangalore Doddaballapur Road West by: Ananthapura Village Boundary North by : Land in Sy No.82 belonging to NCCL South by: Remaining portion of Sy No.81 belonging to K.V. Venugopal. Item No. 5:- All that piece and parcel of the residentially Converted Land bearing Survey No.82, Situated at Puttenahalli Village, Yelahanka Hobli, Bangalore North Taluk, measuring 21 guntas and bounded as follows:- East by : Bangalore Doddaballapur Road West by : Ananthapura Village Boundary. North by : Remaining portion of Sy No.82 belonging to Smt. P M. Leela South by : Land in Sy No.81 belonging to NCCL Schedule 'B' PROPERTY:- (Hereby conveyed to the Purchasers) 299 Square feet of undivided right and interest in the Schedule 'A' Property mentioned above. SCHEDULE 'C' ABOVE REFERRED TO:- (Hereby conveyed to the Purchasers) Apartment Flat bearing No. J-303, on the Third floor of Block J, Katha No. 436/J- 303/436, issued by Bruhat Bangalore Mahanagara Palike, in the project known as **'NAGARJUNA MEADOWS II"** Constructed on the schedule 'A' Property measuring Super Built up area of 1150 Sq feet, consisting of Two Bed Rooms, Kitchen, inclusive of all domestic electrical fittings and fixtures and wood works, proportionate share of common areas along with One Car Parking Space The Apartment comprises of R.C.C. Structure with vitrified/Ceramic tiles flooring and is bounded on:- East by: Flat No. K-304. West by: Flat No. J-304, North by: Flat No. J-302. South by: Driveway.	02/05/2023/ Rs. 54,96,073.00/-	02/02/ 2023
2.	Bharath Kumar G/ Naveen Kumar G/ 22 Byraveshwara Nagara Shettihalli Bangalore North Bangalore- 560015/ LBBNG00005821739/ LBBNG00005969412	Schedule "A" Property All that piece and parcel of residentially converted Land bearing No Site bearing No. 56, measuring to an extent of 2117.73 square meters, (carved about in the land bearing (i) Sy.No. 4/3, measuring 09 Guntas (from and out of totally measuring 0-18 Guntas), the land bearing (ii) Sy.No. 5/1, measuring 20 Guntas (from and out of totally measuring 01 Acre) the land bearing (iii) Sy.No. 5/2, measuring 01 Acre 07 Guntas and the land bearing (iv) Sy.No. 6, measuring 0-16 Guntas), all situated at Arenuru Village, Attibele Hobli, Anekal Taluk, Bangalore District, with all rights appurtenances whatsoever hereunder or underneath or above the surface, bounded on, East by :Road, West by :Private Property, North by :Private Property, South by :Private Property. Schedule "B" Residential Apartment bearing No.109, in 1st Floor, Type 2 Bed room, having carpet area of 53.38 Sq.mtrs or 574.58 Sq.ft, balcony area of 6.87 Sq.mtrs & 74 Sq.ft and Super built up area of 80.51 Sq.mtrs or 867 Sq.ft together with 42.85 Sq.mtrs 461 Sq.ft of undivided share in the land comprised in Schedule 'A" Property with one covered parking space admeasuring 18.77 Sq.mtrs 202 Sq.ft, including proportionate share in common areas such as passages, lifts, lobbies, staircase, etc. of multi-storeyed residential building known as" Celebrity Pride Avenue", bounded on, East by :Open to set back West by :Flat no. 103 & 104 North by :Flat No. 108 South by :Flat No. 110	12-05-2023/ Rs. 54,26,166.00/-	06/03/ 2023
3.	Ramya H S./ Lakshmeesha S P / Nagamangala Anantharamu Lakshminaraso/ Nagappa Subbarao Phaneesha/ No A 204 Vaishnavi Rathnam Apartments S M Road Dasarahalli Near Jalahalli Cross Bangalore North Bangalore- 560057/ LBBNG00005162769/ LBBNG00005164787	Schedule A' Property: Description Of Entire Property-1 All that Property consisting of land measuring Four Acres Twenty Six Guntas and apartments and buildings built thereon and identified as 'Vaishnavi Rathnam' in Survey No.11/3, Dasarahalli Village, Yeshwanthpur Hobli, Bangalore North Taluk duly converted for non-agricultural residential purposes by the Order of The Deputy Commissioner, Bangalore District, Bangalore vide his Order bearing No.BDIS.ALN.SR.(N).11/ 2004-05 dated 15/05/2004 and presently the Property bearing BBMP Khata/Municipal No.1 of T Dasarahally in Subratho Mukherji Road (situated between Jalahalli Circle and Ayyappa Temple), Municipal Ward No.15 of Dasarahalli Sub-Division, Bangalore and bounded by: East: Subratho Mukherji Road and measuring on that side 148 Feet; West: Private Property and measuring on that side 225 Feet; North: Property in Sy.No.11/3 allotted to the share of Smt.A.V.Radha Devamma and her sons and grand children and measuring on that side 1154 Feet; South : Ten Guntas of land in Sy.No.11/3 retained by Sri.A.Ramaiah Setty and Measuring on that side 1105 Feet. Schedule B' Property; (undivided Interest Hereby Conveyed) 580.21 Sq. Ft., Undivided share, right, title, interest and ownership in Schedule A Property. Schedule 'C' Property- (Description Of The Apartment Hereby Conveyed) All that Residential Apartment bearing No.A-204 in First Floor of Block 'A' in 'Vaishnavi Rathnam' built in Schedule A Property and measuring 1480 Sq. Feet of super built up area inclusive of proportionate share in common areas such as passages, lobbies, lifts, staircases and other areas of common use with right to use One Covered Car Parking Space in the Basement Floor and the said apartment is separately assessed for municipal taxes and identified with Municipal No.1/7 of Subratho Mukherji Road also known as S.M. Road, T.Dasarahalli (situated between Jalahalli Circle and Ayyappa Temple), Municipal Ward No.15 of Dasarahalli Sub-Division, Bangalore and the Apartment is bounded by: East : Apartment bearing No. A-203 in First Floor of Block A In Vaishnavi Rathnam; West : Apartment bearing No.B-203 in First Floor of Block 'B' in VAISHNAVI RATHNAM; North : Open towards Open Space In Block A of 'Vaishnavi Rathnam' and thereafter Property in Sy.No.11/3; and South : Entrance and Lobby in First Floor of Block 'A' in Vaishnavi Rathnam. The walls are built out of Cement Brick and Cement with RCC Roofing and Vitrified tile flooring/and ceramic flooring. It is provided with amenities like electricity, water and sanitary connections. The paneled doors and door frames for all doors and windows are of anodized aluminium panels/UPVC. Property-2 Property bearing No.39/6-2, 39/6 and 60/3-1, CMC Khatha No.305/1 and 2, Situated at Mallasandra Village, Dasarahalli CMC Limits, Yeshwanthpur Hobli, Bangalore North taluk, and bounded on: East by: Road West By: Road North By : Road South By: Property No.3 and 4 Measuring Total extent of East to West:60-0 Feets and North to South:40-0 Feets, Area Thus measured i.,e Site No.1, of East to West:30-0 feets, North To South:40-0 feets, in this area measuring 5 Sq built on ground floor and 3 Sq built on the first-floor total measure 8 Sq with wooden doors and windows, Red Oxide Flooring, Light, Water, sanitary Facilities and R.C.C Roofed dwelling House Then measuring Site No.2, East to West:30-0 feets, North To South:40-0 feets in this area measuring 5 Sq with wooden doors and windows, Red Oxide Flooring, Light, Water, sanitary Facilities and R.C.C Roofed dwelling House pure deed of site.	17/05/2023/ Rs. 1,78,61, 399.00/-	06/04/ 2023
4.	Anantha Lakshmi Desai/ Sridhar Panduranga Desai/ 1st Cross Bloomfield Garden Ramachandrapura Main Road Near Zee School Bangalore - 560097/ LBBNG00005408589	Annexure "A" (Particulars of Secured Property) (As described in the Loan document / property document covering All that piece and parcel of the Property bearing House List No.2,Khatha No.560, Survey No.111/1,presently comes under the limits of BBMP Ward No.15 (Kodigehalli),present Ward No.9 (Vidhyaranyapura), Property No.209/111/1- 2,Situated. at Kodigehalli Village, YelahankaHobli, Bangalore North Taluk, converted land measuring East to West: 40' (Forty Feet) and North to South: 30' Thirty Feet)700 Sq.ft built up area, RCC roofed residential building, with mosaic flooring, jungle wood doors and windows with all civic amenities North: Site No.3 South: Site No.1 East: Government Road West: Site No.9	20/05/2023/ Rs. 60,84,356.00/-	23/03/ 2023
5.	Monisha E P/ N K Shankar/ No 60 Indra Sai Residency 1st Main Venkategowda Layout Kempapura Hebbal Bangalore - 560024/ LBBNG00005811818	All that piece and parcel of vacant Site/Plot bearing No.42, Devanahalli Municipal Katha No.550/3/4, 4/3, 5, 6/1, 6/2, 6/3 & 6/4/42 carved out of Sy.No.3/4, 4/3, 5, 6/1, 6/2, 6/3 & 6/4, which are converted for non-agricultural/residential use vide O.M. bearing No. ALN(DK)SR82/2014-15 dated 29-04-2015 by The Deputy Commissioner, Bangalore Rural District, and formed as per layout plan approved by BIAAPA vide layout plan bearing No.BIAAPA/TP/ LAO/13/ 2016-17 dated 20-05-2017 and situated in the layout known as "Merusri Satyavan", at Hosathota village Kasaba Hobli, Devanahalli Taluk, Bangalore Rural District and measuring. East to West : 12.19Mtrs. North to South: 14.22Mtrs. In all measuring 173.35Sq. Mtrs (1865.93 Sq.ft.) and bounded on the. East by: Site No's 21 & 22. West by: 9M Road. North by: Site No.43. South by: 12M Road.	20/05/2023/ Rs. 54,54,962.00/-	30/11/ 2022
6.	Suresh L V/ Hemalatha R/ 9 2nd Cross Pwd Road Bsk 3rd Stage Katriguppe Bangalore- 560085/ LBBNG00005724157	All That Piece And Parcel of the vacant Immovable property bearing Northern Portion of Site No.11, Old Khatha No.99/1, New BBMP Khatha No.99/1-11, situated at Kathriguppe Village, Uttarahalk Hobli, Bangalore South Taluk, earlier within the jurisdiction of Bangalore Mahanagara Palike, Ward No.54, now comes within the limits of Bruhat Bangalore Mahanagara Palike, Kathriguppe Ward No.163, Bangalore and measuring: East to West :40-0 Feet, North to South :19-0 Feet, in all measuring :760 Square Feet, and bounded on the: East By: Road, West By: Property No.6, North By: Ramarao's Layout, South By: Southern Portion of same Site No.11.	20/05/2023/ Rs. 65,24,044.00/-	29/03/ 2023
7.	Kallol Das/ Pompi Chetia/ Flat No B 17 Devina Kpt Shrusti Apts 3rd Main Manivilas Garden Kamala Nagar Bangalore North Basaveswar Nagar Bangalore- 560079/ LBBNG00005533436/ LBBNG00005533438	Schedule-'A' All that piece and parcel of residentially converted immovable property being part of survey number 153/2A (measuring 4 Acres 12 Guntas, inculding kharab of 7 Guntas), and survey number 153/3A (measuring 3 Acre 38 Guntas, inculding kharab of 29 Guntas), together measuring 8 Acres 10 Guntas including kharab of 36 Guntas and on physical survey the land measures 6 Acres and 8 Guntas (excluding kharab of 36 Guntas) which is considered for the purpose of development and situated at Herohalli Village, Yashwanthpura Hobli, Bangalore North Taluk including the areas relinquished/reserved towards park and open spaces, RMP Road, Civic Amenities and bounded as follows:- East by : Land bearing Survey No.153/1 and Survey No.152 belonging to syndicate Bank Layout and three roads from the Syndicate bank Layout; West by: Land bearing Survey No.153/4 & Sy.No.153/5A belonging to first party/owners; North by: Lingadheeranahalli Village Boundary; South by: Land bearing Survey No.153/2B and Survey No.153/3B belonging Munirevamma & Lokanath; Schedule-'B' (property conveyed under this deed) An undivided 0.208% (Zero Point Two Zero Eight Percent) share (equivalent to 422.798 Square Feet) in the land comprised in the Schedule 'A' Property. Schedule-'C' (Description of the Apartment conveyed under this deed) A Three Bedroom apartment bearing No.TTP-B2-2B-1006 on the Tenth Floor in the 2B Block/Wing known as "The Tree By Provident" constructed on the Schedule 'A' property, having a Carpet Area of 819 Square Feet (which is exculsive of balconies and utility space)OR a plinth/built up area of 933.76 Square Feet (which is inculsive of balconies utility spaces walls of the apartment) and proportionate common area of 257.24 Square Feet together with an exclusive right to use one covered car parking facility to be allotted separately.	12/05/2023/ Rs. 66,07,325.00/-	06/03/ 2023

The steps are being taken for substituted service of notice. The above borrower/s and/or their guarantors (as applicable) are advised to make the payments of outstanding within period of 60 days from the date of publication of this notice else further steps will be taken as per the provisions of Securitisation and Re-construction of Financial Assets and Enforcement of Security Interest Act, 2002.

Date : June 29, 2023 **Authorized Officer**
Place : Bangalore **ICICI Bank Limited**

Market Watch

MARKET			GOLD			SILVER			FOREX		
499.39 ▲	Sensex	63,915.42	320 ▼	24 carat (10 gm)	₹59,110	400 ▲	Per kg	₹71,900	▲ Dollar		82.06
154.70 ▲	Nifty	18,972.10	300 ▼	22 carat (10 gm)	₹54,200	4 ▲	Per 10 gm	₹719	▼ Euro		89.71

Sensex hits 64K, Nifty touches 19K mark

Nifty around 19,000–19,191 could serve as resistance area, which might trigger profit booking from higher levels

ARSHAD KHAN @ New Delhi

LED by firm global cues, a huge flow of foreign investment and heavy buying across financial stocks, especially in the HDFC twins, Indian equity market benchmark indices scaled fresh lifetime highs.

BSE Sensex and NSE Nifty50 touched high of 64,050 and 19,011, respectively, in Wednesday's intra-day trade. Sensex closed the Wednesday session at 63,915, up 499 points or 0.79% while Nifty settled at nearly 18,972, up 155 points or 0.82%.

This is the first time that the 30-share index Sensex has touched the 64,000 mark and Nifty topped the 19,000 level. So far in CY2023, the two indices have gained between 4-5% but in the last three months, they have rallied about 12%.

"After multiple attempts, the domestic market successfully managed to sustain record high levels, thanks to the increased buying interest in heavyweight stocks. Bullish momentum was further supported by strong foreign institutional investors (FII) inflows and a narrowing current account deficit, positively impacted investor sentiments," said Vinod Nair, head of research at Geojit Financial Services.

The local equity market witnessed an enormous FII inflow (net) of ₹12,350 crore on Wednesday. Naveen Kulkarni, chief investment officer, Axis Securities PMS, "Nifty50 is at an all-time high, led by solid flows from both domestic institutional investors and foreign portfolio investors and strong fundamentals where we expect the Nifty50 earnings to grow at 15% CAGR for the next two years. The announcement of a tentative effective merger date of 1st July for HDFC Bank - HDFC Ltd has also added to buoyancy in the current market."

Santosh Meena, head of research, Swastika Investmart, said the current market sentiment indicates a sustained structural bull run, making it difficult to assign an immediate target to this upward trend."However, it is worth noting that the levels around 19,000–19,191 could potentially serve as a resistance area, which might trigger profit booking from higher levels. Conversely, on the downside," said Meena. Broader markets, too, witnessed buying on Wednesday with Nifty Midcap 100, and Nifty Smallcap 100 indices closing with decent gains.

Besides HDFC Bank and HDFC, buying interest was seen in select heavyweights such as Reliance Industries (RIL), Infosys and Tata Consultancy Services (TCS). An uptick in most Adani Group stocks, with Adani Enterprises and Adani Ports gaining about 5-6% each, also helped the Nifty index. Going forward, global brokerage firm CLSA said they remain cautious for now, given exceedingly rich valuations, margin erosion depleting India's relative profitability and consensus earnings growth expectations remaining too optimistic against the delivered track record.

No tax collection at source on overseas credit card spends

MONIKA YADAV @ New Delhi

INTERNATIONAL credit card spends under the liberalised remittance scheme (LRS) would not subject to tax collection at source (TCS) for now, finance ministry said Wednesday.

Last month, the Centre had announced inclusion of international credit card payments under the liberalised remittance scheme (LRS).

"To give adequate time to banks and card networks to put in place requisite IT based solutions, the government has decided to postpone the implementation of its May 16, 2023, e-gazette notification. This would mean that transactions through international credit cards while being overseas would not be counted as LRS and hence would not be subject to TCS," the ministry said.

In addition, the new increased TCS rates, which were to be implemented from July 1, will now come into effect from October 1, 2023.

In the Union Budget 2023, the government had increased TCS on foreign remittance through LRS to 20% from the existing 5% on purchase of overseas tour program package and for other purposes.

It had not made any changes on TCS rates on education financed by loans and for medical treatment in LRS. The old TCS rates will be applicable till September 30, 2023.

Further, the threshold of ₹7 lakh per financial year per individual will be restored for TCS on all categories of LRS payments, through all modes of payment, regardless of the purpose. "Thus, the first ₹7 lakh remitted under LRS will not be subject to TCS. Beyond this, TCS will be 0.5% (if remittance for education is financed by education loan); 5% (in case of remittance for education/medical treatment); and 20% for others," the release said.

For purchase of overseas tour packages, the TCS will continue to apply at the rate of 5% for the first ₹7 lakh per individual per annum; the 20% rate will only apply for expenditure above this limit. Under LRS, one can remit up to $250,000 out of the country. "TCS on overseas spends under LRS is itself flawed as these taxes are not on income. For the audit trail, the rates should be brought down to 1-5%. TCS at 20% in certain cases is too high," said Ved Jain, a New Delhi-based chartered accountant.

Go First seeks necessary nods from DGCA to restart ops

ENS ECONOMIC BUREAU @ New Delhi

CASH-STRAPPED Go First's former CEO Kaushik Kona and its newly-appointed resolution professional (RP) Shailendra Ajmera, on Wednesday met with Directorate General of Civil Aviation (DGCA) officials to get a green nod for their revival plan as they aim to restart operations as soon as possible.

According to sources, Go First's RP presented the bankers' approved revival plan to the aviation regulator before submitting it formally in a day or two.

Following the submission, DGCA would conduct the very important safety audit to check weather Go First can carry operations smoothly.

The crisis-hit airline has intended to restart flights with 22 aircraft in fleet and keep another four in reserve. Go First intends to start 157 flights on 78 routes.

This fresh development comes after the lenders of the airline such as Bank of India, Bank of Baroda and IDBI Bank gave an in-principle nod for Rs 450 crore interim financing to meet the day-to-day operational expenses.

Go First, owned by the Wadia Group, had declared insolvency on May 2 and stopped flying from May 3 owing to a severe cash crunch caused by the grounding of over half of its fleet.

Its application was admitted by the National Company Law Tribunal (NCLT) on May 10. Prior to grounding on May 3, Go First was operating around 200 flights daily.

The resumption plan was facing a threat from aircraft lessors, who are in knocking various venues, including the courts, seeking deregistration of aircraft leased by the bankrupt airline.

Sebi cuts IPO listing time to half; investors to receive shares quickly

SACHIN KUMAR @ Mumbai

THE Securities and Exchange Board of India (Sebi) has approved the proposal of reducing time period for listing of shares in public issue to three days (T+3) from existing six days (T+6), which will allow investors and issuers to get their shares and money quickly.

The capital market regulator will also issue a consultation to check their inappropriate influence on retail investors.

"We are very confident that T+3 will also happen without a glitch. All the market participants have done their testing and stress testing to figure out that they will be able to meet all the time lines that have been put down," said Madhabi Puri Buch, Chairperson, Sebi addressing the press conference held after the board meet on Wednesday. "The issuers will get their money quicker, investors will get their shares quicker and those who did not get allotment will get their refunds quicker," she added.

The revised timeline of three days would be made applicable in two phases. It would be voluntary for all public issues opening on or after September 1, 2023, and mandatory on or after December 1, 2023.

There is no plan to increase the retail quota in IPOs, she clarified. The regulator will issue a consultation paper proposing norms to shield retail investors from the growing influence of financial influencers (finfleuncers).

"We have been discussing about finfluencers that their count is increasing. Our thinking on finfluencers is crystallising. We will bring out a consultation paper in one or two months," said Sebi chief. "Teaching about stock markets is something we appreciate but if there is inducement to trade... that you will become crorepati in two years such an inducement is inappropriate", she added.

Sebi has also tightened disclosure norms for foreign portfolio investors (FPIs). The markets regulator mandated additional granular disclosures regarding ownership, economic interest, and control of FPIs who have more than half of their holdings in a single corporate group or hold equity assets of more than ₹25,000 crore. Some entities such as sovereign funds, public retail funds, and exchange-traded funds (ETFs) have been exempted from making additional disclosures.

Existing FPIs now have three months to bring down their single-group exposure to 50 per cent or comply with additional disclosure requirements.

12 states get ₹66,413 crore for reforms in power sector

ENS ECONOMIC BUREAU @ New Delhi

TWELVE states will receive ₹66,413 crore incentives for reforms they have made in the power sector in their respective states, said Union power minister RK Singh on Wednesday.

The government has earmarked ₹1,43,332 crore as incentive to states for undertaking power reforms in 2023-24.

The reforms include progressive assumption of responsibility for losses of public sector power distribution companies (DISCOMs) by the state government, transparency in the reporting of financial affairs of power sector including payment of subsidies and recording of liabilities of governments to DISCOMs and of DISCOMs to others, timely rendition of financial and energy accounts and timely audit and others. West Bengal received the highest amount of additional borrowing permission for 2021-22 and 2022-23.

EXPRESS READ

TVS partners Zomato, to deploy 10K EVs in 2 yrs

CHENNAI: TVS Motor Company on Wednesday said it has partnered with food delivery platform Zomato and it will deploy 10,000 electric scooters over two years for latter's delivery fleet. These vehicles will contribute towards last-mile delivery by Zomato's delivery partners. TVS Motor will also ensure that Zomato delivery partners have access to charging stations within their radius and receive smooth digital integration, a statement from the company reads. *ENS*

Jio adds 3.04 million subscriber in April

NEW DELHI: Reliance Jio added whopping 3.04 million subscribers in April 2023, according to the latest data from Telecom Regulatory Authority of India (TRAI). Its competitor, Bharti Airtel, merely added 76,328 new customers, while Vodafone Idea lost 2.99 million customers. Most of Vodafone Idea's users are preferring Jio as their telecom operator. In April, Jio held 37.9% of the market share, followed by Airtel at 32.4%. Vodafone Idea is in third position with 20.4%. *ENS*

GQG, others invest $1 bn in two Adani Group firms

ENS ECONOMIC BUREAU @ New Delhi

US-based boutique investment firm GQG Partners and other foreign investors have bought about $1 billion worth additional stakes in Adani group firms -- Adani Enterprises (AEL) and Adani Green Energy(AGEL).

The stake purchase by GQG comes as billionaire Gautam Adani continues to rebuild market confidence after being hit by the scathing report of US short-seller Hindenburg Research. GQG's stake in Adani Group flagship AEL has grown from 3.39% on Tuesday to 4.96% on Wednesday as it purchased shares at ₹2,300 apiece. GQG's stake in Adani Green has grown from 3.50% on Tuesday to 6.32% on Wednesday as it bought shares at ₹920 apiece. Total value of GQG holding in AEL now stands at ₹13,600 crore and in AGEL ₹9,600 crore.

"Over the years, Adani Group with its portfolio firms has emerged as the largest and fastest growing critical infrastructure developer. Adani portfolio offers one-stop play for India's growing infrastructure theme, with no equivalent alternative," GQG said in a statement.

Pension panel holds meeting with state officials

MONIKA YADAV @ New Delhi

THE committee headed by finance secretary TV Somanathan on Wednesday held a high-level meeting with the representatives from six states to get their suggestions for the changes in the national pension scheme (NPS) for the government employees, according to sources.

These six states are Andhra Pradesh, Tamil Nadu, Himachal Pradesh, Telangana, Mizoram and Rajasthan

"A couple of meetings have already taken place since the committee was formed in April. Today, the representatives of six states were called for their viewpoint. The next meeting will likely take place next month," a top government source said.

He further added that this year only the decision on the revision of the pension scheme will be implemented.

"After the report submission, the changes suggested will go for Cabinet approval and then the Parliamentary approval will be required. By the end of this year, we are expecting that the changes will be implemented," the official said, declining to divulge further information.

Finance Minister Nirmala Sitharaman in April had set up a committee under Somanathan after many non-BJP ruled states said they would revert to old pension scheme.

The other members of the committee include the Chairman of Pension Fund Regulatory and Development authority of India (PFRDAI), Secretary of Department of Personnel and Training (DoPT) and the special secretary in the Department of Expenditure.

According to the terms of reference of the committee, it would recommend measures to modify the changes in the pension scheme for government employees while keeping in view the fiscal implications and impact on overall budgetary space.

Several non-BJP states have decided to go back to the old scheme, which is linked to dearness allowance (DA), as it guarantees a fixed pension of 50% of an employee's last drawn salary without any contribution from their own pay. Meanwhile, in the current pension scheme, employees have to contribute 10% of their basic salary and the government contributes 14%.

The final payout depends on market returns on that corpus, which is mostly invested in government securities.

AI-first strategy is already working for Infy: Nilekani

ENS ECONOMIC BUREAU @ Bengaluru

THE immense potential of Artificial Intelligence (AI) and advances in generative AI, are not without their share of complexities, said Infosys chairman Nandan Nilekani.

Addressing the 42nd Annual General Meeting (AGM) of the company on Wednesday, Nilekani said several practical, ethical and intellectual property-related issues, when it comes to AI, remain unresolved. He added that the AI-first strategy is already working for Infosys.

"We have redesigned our organisation to judiciously balance people, technology, and process, while also executing work by segmenting it into cognitive tasks. Today, we are able to bring to our global clientele the same ability to accelerate business value and amplify human potential using AI technologies with Infosys Topaz," he added. Infosys had 95 large deals valued at $9.8 billion for FY23 and of which 40% was net new. The company recruited over 50,000 college graduates in the year and total headcount stood at over 3,40,000 employees, of which 39% are women.

Nilekani said the receding pandemic brought an end to one set of challenges, but its aftermath has created new ones.

Infosys chief executive officer Salil Parekh said the company's Cobalt capabilities for the cloud continue to resonate with the clients. "More recently we developed a strong set of capabilities in generative AI with Topaz," he said. Infosys has 50 active client projects where it is using generative AI.

Banking system resilient, bad loans fall to decade low of 3.9%, says RBI report

ENS ECONOMIC BUREAU @ Mumbai

INDIAN economy remains resilient on the back of a healthy banking system, which has been fortified by multi-year low levels of non-performing assets (NPAs) and adequate capital, according to the Reserve Bank's Financial Stability Report released on Wednesday.

The gross NPA ratio of banks declined to a decade low of 3.9% in March 2023 from 11.5% in March 2018. The net NPA ratio declined to 1% in March 2023 from 6.1% in March 2018.

"Macro stress tests for credit risk reveal that SCBs (scheduled commercial banks) are well-capitalised and all banks would be able to comply with the minimum capital requirements even under adverse stress scenarios. The system-level capital to risk-weighted assets ratio (CRAR) in March 2024, under baseline, medium and severe stress scenarios, is projected at 16.1%, 14.7% and 13.3%, respectively," said the bi-annual report.

The GNPA ratio could improve to 3.6% by March 2024 from 3.9% in March 2023, provided macroeconomic conditions don't deteriorate. In a foreword of the report, RBI Governor Shaktikanta Das said the Indian economy has made a solid recovery and is among the fastest-growing large economies despite heightened uncertainties and formidable headwinds. Financial stability is non-negotiable, and all stakeholders in the financial system must work to preserve this, he added.

The provisioning coverage ratio (PCR), which was as low as 40.1% in June 2016, has improved to 74% in March 2023. The report said banking system profitability improved with return on assets (ROA) rising to 1.1% in 2023 from a low of -0.2% in 2018. "Healthier balance sheets are catalysing sustained and broad-based pick-up in momentum of credit growth, with credit flow improving to all sectors of the economy," the RBI said.

Google launches ONDC accelerator programme

ENS ECONOMIC BUREAU @ Bengaluru

GOOGLE CLOUD is launching an accelerator programme for government-backed Open Network for Digital Commerce (ONDC) to help digital sellers build and scale their digital commerce operations.

As part of the initiative, the company is open sourcing a ready implementation of ONDC infrastructure and core pplication programming interface (APIs) to facilitate scalability and security. At a developer conference held in Bengaluru on Wednesday, Google said it is introducing a start-up credits programme where organisations that enable ONDC are eligible to apply for a $25,000 grant. T Koshy, MD and CEO at ONDC, said, "The addition of Google Cloud's Accelerator Program reinforces ONDC's mission to revolutionise ecommerce landscape, ushering in a new era of efficiency, agility, and customer-centricity. By streamlining onboarding process through efficient core APIs, this milestone addition to the open network empowers enterprises to focus on their core competencies." Ambarish Kenghe, Vice President, Product Management, Google, said "The advent of AI presents significant opportunities for developers to bolster India's position as a leading global innovation hub. At Google, we continue to make deep investments to support the ecosystem's growth with a rich set of open and integrated technologies."

Biles set to return for first time since 2020 Olympics

Simone Biles is back. The gymnastics superstar plans to return to competition at the US Classic outside Chicago in August, her first event since the pandemic-delayed 2020 Tokyo Olympics. USA Gymnastics said that Biles, a seven-time Olympic medallist, is part of the women's field for the single-day event set for Aug. 5 at NOW Arena in Hoffman Estates.

Against one-bout trials, national coaches to meet ad-hoc panel today

Even as the committee awaits Olympic Council of Asia's reply, experts strongly feel only one trial should be held to pick both Asian Games and World Championships teams

Ad-hoc committee had already organised trials in the past to select teams for the continental championships in various age groups

FIROZ MIRZA @Chennai

FACING a huge protest over its proposal to organise one-bout Asian Games and World Championships trials for protesting wrestling, the Indian Olympic Association's (IOA) ad-hoc committee has decided to meet national coaches to pick their brains on the issue. National coaches Jagminder Singh (men's freestyle), Hargobind Singh (Greco-Roman) and Virender Dahiya (women's wrestling) are scheduled to meet ad-hoc committee member Bhupender Singh Bajwa in Meerut (Uttar Pradesh) on Thursday afternoon.

"The issue has to be sorted out soon as we are running out of time. As far as three national coaches are concerned, they are against the one-bout trials and they will convey it to the ad-hoc committee," a source in the know of developments told this daily. Dates of trials and how they can be organised could be other topics of discussion during the meeting.

"It all depends on the reply of the Olympic Council of Asia (OCA). If the OCA allows an extension of the deadline till August 15 then selection trials can be conducted close to that date. However, if it does not entertain the IOA's request then the trials have to be conducted latest by July 15, the last date for sending the final entries for the Asiad," added the source. Though there were reasons to believe that it might be difficult to get the OCA nod but there are indications that officials are trying to get some concession.

As the Asian Games will be preceded by the Worlds, which is also an Olympic Games qualifier, there is a section in the wrestling fraternity that is of the opinion that two separate trials can be conducted for both the events as last date for sending entries for the Worlds is August 16.

However, the coaches strongly believe only one trial should be held as both events are important. "Both tournaments are scheduled quite close to each other so holding separate trials makes no sense. Also, there is no logic in sending separate teams as every wrestler wants to compete in both events given their importance." The Worlds will be held in Belgrade, Serbia from September 16 to 24 while the wrestling competitions at the Asiad will be organised between October 4 to 7 in Hangzhou, China.

Even as the ad-hoc panel proposed one-bout trials, the wrestlers in question including Olympic medallists Bajrang Punia and Sakshi Malik along with multiple Worlds medallist Vinesh Phogat had asserted that they had only requested an extension of the trials deadline. Interestingly, Satyawart Kadian, Jitender Kinha and Sangeeta Phogat are other wrestlers for whom the exemption has been proposed by the panel.

HOLD NATIONALS TO SELECT TEAMS: PUNJAB STATE UNIT

The Punjab Wrestling Association on Wednesday wrote to the sports minister, IOA president, ad-hoc committee and returning officer appointed to hold WFI election requesting them to organise national championships to select teams for the Asiad and Worlds. RS Kundu, general secretary of the association, suggested the ad-hoc panel to call the general house meeting of the WFI for allotment of 2023 nationals in all age groups. "The nationals can be allotted to any affiliated unit of the WFI and gold medallists from the senior event can be selected for the Asiad and Worlds," the letter reads. "If any affiliated unit is not ready to host the event then Punjab is ready to organise it in the best interest of the wrestlers," says the letter.

Eyeing World stage

While Sri Lanka remain odds on to qualify for the final and punch their World Cup ticket, Zimbabwe look set to upstage the West Indies. A look at the first stage of the World Cup qualifiers...

Zimbabwe beat West Indies during the first stage of World Cup qualifiers | AP

THE CROWDS AND VIBE IN ZIMBABWE

If you have caught even some of the action in the African nation, you would have come away with your heart full and satisfied. People have thronged the stands at most games. It's perhaps helped that the hosts have been superb so far.

WEST INDIES' DOWNFALL NOT THE STORY OF THE FIRST STAGE

The two-time champions mat not qualify. That much is clear but what's not apparent at first is that that is not the story of the tournament. For far too long they have remained a below par team in this format and it's showing again.

FOOLISHNESS OF THE 10-TEAM FORMAT

What, though, is apparent is that the World Cup itself should have been a 12-team or even a 14-team event. While the health of the ODI game may not be great, ODIs in itself have never been better. That the likes of Ireland are not even in this stage while Netherlands and Scotland, without many of their A-listers, are in with a chance is a reflection of that.

TEAM	MP	WON	PTS
Sri Lanka	2	2	4
Zimbabwe	2	2	4
Scotland	2	1	2
Netherlands	2	1	2
West Indies	2	0	0
Oman	2	0	0

Format: Top two face each other in final apart from qualifying for the World Cup. Sri Lanka (beat Oman and Scotland), Zimbabwe (beat Netherlands and West Indies), Netherlands (beat West Indies) and Scotland (beat Oman) have their points carried forward from the group stage.

Just Stop Oil protestors disrupt Test

AFP @ London

ENGLAND wicketkeeper Jonny Bairstow wrestled a protester to the ground as climate activists briefly interrupted play on the first day of the second Ashes Test at Lord's on Wednesday. Just before Stuart Broad bowled the second over, two protesters from Just Stop Oil ran out of the Grandstand and onto the outfield, sprinkling the group's trademark orange powder on the square but not on the pitch.

Bairstow grabbed one of the demonstrators and carried them off the playing surface, with the other apprehended by stewards. A third demonstrator was tackled before making it onto the outfield.

Spectators booed the protesters as they were led away by stewards. Metropolitan Police later said that they had arrested three people.

Following a delay of several minutes while the orange powder was removed by groundstaff, play resumed with Broad bowling from the Nursery End. Just Stop Oil, which wants an end to new oil and gas exploration in the North Sea, has disrupted a series of sporting events, including the British Formula One Grand Prix and Premiership rugby union final. Protesters have tied themselves to goalposts during Premier League football matches and thrown orange powder on the green baize at the World Snooker Championship. Just Stop Oil also delayed the England team bus taking the side to Lord's for the lone Test against Ireland earlier this month.

A Just Stop Oil spokesperson said: "Cricket is an important part of our national heritage, but how can we enjoy England vs Australia when much of the cricketing world is becoming unfit for humans to live in? It's time for cricket lovers and all those who understand the severity of this situation, to get onto the streets and demand action from this illegitimate, criminal government."

Australia's Steven Smith hits one on the leg side during opening day of the second Ashes Test at Lord's Cricket Ground in London, on Wednesday | AP

Smith and Head put Australia in front

LONDON: Asked to bat first on a wicket with a tinge of green, the Australian batters made hay in slightly overcast conditions. After David Warner set the ball rolling with a 66 — his highest score in England in seven years — Steve (85 batting) and Travis Head drove home the advantage in the third session as they finished the day on 339/5. It could have been worse for the hosts, who had lost the opener, if Joe Root hadn't claimed thewickets of Head and Cameron Green just before close of play.

Brief scores: Australia 339/5 in 50 ovs (Labuschagne 41, Smith 85 batting, Warner 66, Head 77; Tongue 2/73) vs England.

EXPRESS READ

Masarova upsets fifth seed Andreescu

BAD HOMBURG: Spanish player Rebeka Masarova upset fifth-seeded Bianca Andreescu 6-3, 6-2 but Liudmila Samsonova survived a scare to reach the quarterfinals of the Bad Homburg Open. Second-seeded Samsonova needed 2 hours, 37 minutes to beat Czech player Linda Noskova 6-4, 6-7 (4), 6-3 at the grass-court tournament. Samsonova awaits the winner between Katerina Siniakova and Evgeniya Rodina. American Emma Navarro beat Alize Cornet of France 7-5, 7-6 (6).

Shooters Manu, Goldie & Shriyanka toppers

NEW DELHI: Olympian Manu Bhaker returned to the winner's circle while Odisha's Shriyanka Sadangi and Madhya Pradesh's Goldie Gujjar also scored wins on day five of the National Selection Trials 5 & 6 for Group A Rifle and Pistol shooters. Manu won the women's 25m pistol T6 final with a score of 39, just one below the world record. Shriyanka took home the women's 10m air rifle T6 title while Goldie won the men's 50m rifle 3 positions (3P) T5 competition, respectively.

Carlsen prevails over Anand in GCL

DUBAI: In one of the best end games in recent times, Magnus Carlsen beat Viswanathan Anand at the ongoing Global Chess League. In a battle between two of the former champions, the Norwegian, who beat Anand to become world champion for the first time in 2013, promoted a pawn to knight (known as an underpromotion) after Anand had won two queens. After that Carlsen held firm to win the tie for SG Alpine Warriors. It also knocked out Anand's Ganges Grandmasters from the top spot.

Indian boxer Sumit advances to semifinal

NEW DELHI: Indian boxer Sumit secured a resounding victory to

confirm the bronze medal in the 86kg category on the second day of Elorda cup in Astana, Kazakhstan on Wednesday. Sumit dominated his quarterfinal bout against Bekzat Tangatar of Kazakhstan from the get go and showcased his power and precision to win 5-0 in a one-sided affair.

Lebanon on top, face India in last four

AGENCIES @ Bengaluru

LEBANON set up a semifinal clash against hosts India with a 1-0 win over Maldives in a Group B match of the SAFF Championship here on Wednesday. Skipper Hassan Maatouk struck the all-important goal with his curling freekick in the 24th minute.

Lebanon finished on top with an all-win record in the four-team group. Lebanon will take on India in the battle for the summit clash on Saturday.

The two teams met recently in the final of the Intercontinental Cup in Bhubaneswar, where India emerged the winners. Maldives, ranked 154 in the FIFA Men's rankings, were hoping to punch above their weight by winning against Lebanon, whom they had never beaten in previously. Having already sealed their last-four berth, Lebanon head coach Aleksandar Ilic rested a few of his regular players including Karim Darwich.

The Maldives defence were struggling to cope with Lebanon's constant surge during this spell. Hassan Maatouk combined well with Mohamad Sadek and Zein Al Abidine Farran to create havoc in the rival area. Maldives, on the other hand, failed to have a shot on target and Lebanon goalkeeper Mehdi Khalil was never tested.

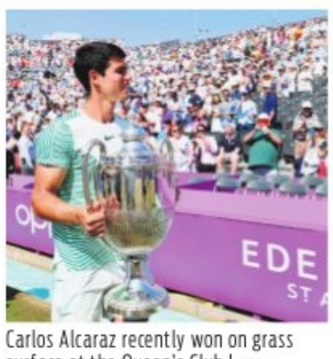
Alcaraz, not Djokovic, and Swiatek No 1 seeds

AGENCIES @ Wimbledon

CARLOS Alcaraz' not four-time defending champion Novak Djokovic' and Iga Swiatek were seeded No. 1 for Wimbledon on Wednesday, as expected, because the All England Club adhered to the ATP and WTA rankings.

Alcaraz overtook Djokovic atop the men's standings on Monday. Djokovic has not played since collecting his men's-record 23rd Grand Slam title at the French Open on June 11 and slid to No. 2, while Alcaraz rose one spot after winning a grass-court tune-up tournament at Queen's Club on Sunday.

Djokovic has won the championship at Wimbledon each of the past four times it was held ' and seven times overall ' but he did not benefit from a ranking boost in 2022 because the ATP and WTA withheld all points to protest the All England Club's decision to ban players from Russia and Belarus because of the invasion of Ukraine.



Carlos Alcaraz recently won on grass surface at the Queen's Club | AFP

Those athletes are allowed to compete this year, and Russian player Daniil Medvedev is seeded No. 3 in the men's field, while Belarusian Aryna Sabalenka is No. 2 in the women's field.

The draw to set up the singles brackets will be Friday. The tournament begins Monday.

Casper Ruud is No. 4 of the 32 men's seeds, followed by Stefanos Tsitsipas, Holger Rune, Jannik Sinner, Taylor Fritz and Frances Tiafoe. Nick Kyrgios, the runner-up to Djokovic at Wimbledon a year ago, is seeded 31st. Two-time Wimbledon champion Andy Murray is ranked 39th and is not seeded.

Swiatek has been ranked No. 1 since April 2022 and owns four Grand Slam titles, most recently at the French Open. She has never been past the fourth round at Wimbledon.

Elena Rybakina, the 2022 women's champion at the All England Club, is No. 3 among the women's 32 seeds. From 2002 to 2019, the All England Club based its seedings for the men's draw on a formula that took into account results on grass at Wimbledon and elsewhere. But after that, the tournament opted to simply follow the rankings to determine all seeds.

Duleep Trophy: Shorey stars in battle of North on Day 1

AGENCIES @ Bengaluru

DHRUV Shorey carried the sublime form he showed in the latest Ranji season to Duleep Trophy as he led North Zone's charge against North East Zone with a composed 135 on the opening day of the quarterfinal here.

North Zone were 306 for 6 in 87 overs at close of play after NE Zone fielded by choice in the morning. Nishant Sindhu also contributed to the total with an unbeaten 76. Delhi man Shorey was in wonderful touch coming into this match after aggregating 859 runs from seven matches in the 2022-23 Ranji season at an astounding average of 95.44 with three hundreds.

Murasingh shines

Pacer Murasingh's five-wicket haul fuelled East Zone's walk to command against Central Zone on Day 1 of their quarterfinal clash at the Alur Grounds. The Tripura pacer bagged 5 for 42 as East bundled out Central for 182. At close, East were 32 for 2.

MAJOR FEAT

TN women rise above hurdles to win national football crown

VISHNU PRASAD @ Bengaluru

WHEN the final whistle was blown at the Guru Nanak Stadium in Amritsar on Wednesday, the Tamil Nadu women's team had once again ascended to the top of Indian football. They had emerged victorious over Haryana in the final of the Senior Women's National Football Championships by a scoreline of 2-1, Priyadharshini and Indumathi scoring the goals.

However, for at least some of the players, the celebrations might have been soured by the memory of broken promises. They had been in this very same place in 2018, when Tamil Nadu had last won the title. Jobs and monetary cash awards were promised as a reward for their achievement. The promises though had remained mere words. "The last time, they were promised cash awards. However, nothing was given to them. We are hoping things will be different this time," said Seeni Mohaideen, chairman of Tamil Nadu Football Association's women's committee and the man behind Sethu FC, the football club that had developed almost the entire team.

What makes those broken promises worse is that these players could actually use all the help that they can get. Most of them come from extremely poor backgrounds. Forward Sandhiya Ranganadhan lost her father at an early age. Her mother, a daily wage labourer, entrusted her to an orphanage so that she could get an education. Both parents of Devi, the goalkeeper and captain, are daily wage labourers. Indumathi, who has captained India, is one of the two players in the squad with a full-time government job. She has often spoken of how her parents, daily wage workers from Cuddalore, struggled to raise her. Most of these players were picked out by local coaches and sent to study on various sports scholarships.

Seeni Mohaideen himself was instrumental in enabling a number of these girls to study at the Annamalai University in Chidambaram to study on scholarships. "Most of the players come from a poor background," says Seeni Mohaideen. "Many of them have been raised by single parents. So far, only two players in the squad have government jobs. We hope the government will reward this by giving them jobs."

The victory establishes Tamil Nadu as one of the undoubted powerhouses of Indian football. TN join West Bengal as the only other team to win it more than once. There will no doubt be promises once again as the team arrives back home. But no one will be celebrating until those promises are kept.

Cruise Control

A new cruise liner sailing from the shores of India to Sri Lanka was recently flagged off and we give you a peek into the experience of the exquisite four-day trip filled with exotic sights, good food and a slew of activities

MAYUR KAUSHAL

The sea, once it casts its spell, holds one in its net of wonder forever
— Jacques Cousteau

ADMIRERS of the ocean and avid travellers alike, we bring you good news! There is now a luxury cruise liner operating between Chennai and Sri Lanka. Indulge in the luxury the Cordelia cruise, the first vessel to sail from Chennai to Sri Lanka, has to offer, while experiencing the beauty of the Emerald Isle.

The ship sailed from the Chennai port to the city of Galle in Southeast Sri Lanka where it made its first stop and then continued to the port of Trincomalee, finally coming back to Chennai on the fourth day of the voyage.

As the cruise ship sailed, the chill in the wind graced our skins, all amidst the azure blue sea. A swarm of people was wandering in ecstasy around the large deck with rustic wooden panels. While some of them were soaking the sun on the black beach chairs laid in neat succession, others chose to swim in the six-feet pool on the deck; all happy faces.

A number of waiters served the tables laid in one corner with colourful drinks and snacks to the guests who had embarked on this four-day journey to Sri Lanka on the newly introduced route of Cordelia Cruises.

A mix of sounds floated in the air — laughter, glee, and undecipherable words — and as you turn and look out at the horizon, trying to catch a glimpse of the land, all you could see was the blue, the never-ending ocean with its majestic waves.

Before the voyage began the guests were transported to the 10-deck cruise liner on a couple of buses. Everything stood still as we boarded the ship for the first time. The wind blew with all its strength and the smell of the sea hung quietly in the air. People scattered in various groups all around the lounge area, waiting for the experience to begin.

As we sailed, the sound of water brought a much-needed calm, away from the hustle and bustle of the city. The first two days of our journey was spent in the ocean. If you think two whole days cooped up on a cruise would have been boring, you are quite away from the truth. The ship offered an array of activities.

One had a choice of either chilling at the elegantly decorated Chairman's Club with leather sofa chairs, televisions and a little bar nestled in the corner, or listen to a live band that performed every evening. If you were looking for something more exciting and daring, the cruise liner also had a casino and offered a slew of activities, including wall climbing, origami classes and even a football session with the staff. There were many entertaining theatrical performances too. The cruise liner offered all the facilities one would expect in a five-star property. Talking about the food, the facility served five meals a day, starting with breakfast and concluding with sandwiches for midnight cravings. The restaurants, called the Food Court, Chopstix and the Starlight, laid out buffet-style meals for the guests, ranging from potage to an array of desserts, which changed every day.

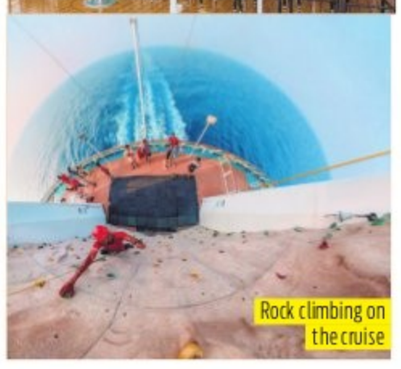
Gym on the cruise

Enter the Food Court, the barbecued smell of *kebabs*, aromatics, and other dishes will make you feel hungry. The silent sea adds a touch of serenity to this luxurious dining experience. The rooms were spacious, with a comfortable queen-size bed, a couch, a little walk-in closet, a television, and a balcony with a pair of chairs looking out at the blue waters. As the second day approached, the ship anchored on the shores of Galle, where the guests were greeted by a group of artistes performing a local dance.

The second stop for us was the calm city of Trincomalee, which had a charm similar to a small village, with small shops, city squares, people walking under the mildly soothing sun, and red buses standing on the side of a beach. However, our time on land was limited as we headed back to the cruise, making our way back to the Indian waters. People continued to chill on the decks and walked around, shaking a leg to the dancing rainbow lights as the red neon sign lit up the word 'Bar'. With the moon shining above us and our voyage coming to an end, we knew something had changed. Something the sea did to us. It was magic. And just like that, everything turned bright as we landed in Chennai and the only things we were left with were memories, glimpses of luxury and comfort and a longing to head back out on the water again.

Packages starting from ₹15,000++, inclusive of stay and food. You can order special meals at Chopstix, which will cost you around ₹1,500 for two.

Bar on the top


Rock climbing on the cruise

PORT HALT

Skyview of Galle

GALLE

Galle Fort: A UNESCO World Heritage Site dating back to the 16th century, it is a prime tourist attraction

Maritime Museum: Showcases artifacts, ship models, and exhibits that highlight the city's seafaring past

National Museum of Galle: Displays a wide range of artifacts, including sculptures, ceramics, traditional masks, and historical objects

TRINCOMALEE

Koneswaram Temple: Perched on Swami Rock, the Shiva temple offers breathtaking views

Fort Frederick: The historic Dutch-built fortification dates back to the 17th century and stands majestically to this day

Nilaveli Beach: The beach is located about 16 kilometres from Trincomalee

Kanniya Hot Springs: Experience the natural healing properties of the hot springs

Whale Watching: Trincomalee is also a popular destination for whale watching.
Take a boat trip between May and October from Trincomalee's harbour to spot magnificent blue whales

PUBLIC NOTICE

My Client **Mr. AZEEZULLA,** S/o Mr. Shafequlla, Residing at No.25, 9th Cross, Vinayaka Layout, Manorayanapalya, R.T.Nagar Post, Bangalore - 560032, intends to purchase the schedule property from **Mrs. KHURSHID BEGUM,** W/o. Mr. Khader Mohiyuddin, Residing at No. 19, 1st Cross Road, Marappa Thota, M.R. Palya, Bangalore-560006, Those who are having any title, right, claim or interest in the Schedule property may contact me with their legitimate claims within 7 days, failing which my client will purchase the Schedule property, as the same is free from all claims/encumbrance and no claim shall be entertained later.

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All the piece and parcel of the Northern portion of property bearing New Municipal No.69, PID No. 96-101-69, 1st Cross, Manarayanapalya, Old BBMP Ward No. 96, New BBMP Ward No. 22-Vishwanathanagenahalli, (formerly Site No. 9, Survey / Assessment No. 39/3, Situated at Cholanayakanahalli Village, Kasaba Hobli, Bangalore North Taluk), Bangalore, measuring East to West: 40 Feet and North to South: 30 Feet, totally 1200 Sq. ft, and bounded on: East by: Road; West by: Site No.10; North by: Road; South by: Remaining Southern portion of same Municipal No.69;

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PUBLIC NOTICE

I. **Vijayalakshmi. V** intends to purchase property bearing No.5,(PID:77-31-5)Old No.602, Municipal No.602/5, situated at 21st Cross, Sampangiramanagar, BBMP New Ward No.110(Old Ward No.77)Bangalore, measuring 180 sq.ft. from Vijaykumar. B and others and said owners declare that they have lost the Original Sale Deed dated:22.05.1972, vide document No.889/72-73 pertaining to the said property. It is the notice issued to public, if any aware persons have any right, title and interest, they shall inform with in a period of FIFTEEN DAYS from the date of this notice with the undersigned, failing which I shall proceed with the above mentioned transaction.

Vijayalakshmi. V
No,989, 3rd Floor, Nagarathpet Main Road Bangalore-2

IN THE COURT OF THE HON'BLE 38th ADDL. CHIEF METROPOLITAN MAGISTRATE AT BANGALORE
Crl. Mis. No.1289/2023

Between: 1. AMBIKA, W/o. Late. Arun, aged about 34 years, **2. CHETHAN .A,** S/o. Late. Arun, aged about 10 years, **3. PAVANI,** D/o. Late. Arun, aged about 8 years, Both are minors Rep. by their natural Guardian of their mother, All are R/at. No.6, 2nd A Cross, Kalidasa Layout, Banashankari, Bangalore South, Bangalore-560 050. ... **PETITIONER**

And: The Commissioner of BBMP, Registrar of Births & Deaths, Bangalore. ... **RESPONDENT**

NOTICE

Whereas, the petitioner has filed the above petition U/s. 13(3) of the birth and death acts seeking direction to the commissioner Bangalore to register the death of the deceased is husband of the petitioner No.1 and minor son and daughter of deceased by name **ARUN, S/o. MOHAN,** who died on 01-03-2019 at No.30, Banddemutta, Kengeri, Uppanagar, Bangalore-560 060.

If any person interested in the matter may appear before Hon'ble XXXVIII ACMM at Bangalore, either personally or through an advocate duly instructed on at 11.00 am., on **10-07-2023** to which date the case is posted for hearing.

Given under my hand & the seal on this 23-06-2023.

By order of the court, Sheristedar, XXXVIII ACMM Court, Bengaluru.

Advocate for Petitioner: **Sri. SHANKAR.G.V,** No.39/41, Kempanna Layout, Cholanayakanahalli, R.T. Nagar, Bangalore-560 032.

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Jayanagar,
Bengaluru-560027

POSSESSION NOTICE (Rule-8(1)) (For Immovable Property)

The undersigned being the Authorized Officer of **Canara Bank, Jayanagar 9th Block Branch,** under the Securitization and Reconstruction of Financial Assets and Enforcement of Security Interest Act, 2002 (Act 54 of 2002) and in exercise of the powers conferred under Section 13 (12) read with Rule 3 of the Security Interest (Enforcement) Rules 2002, issued a Demand Notice dated: **02.03.2023** calling upon the Borrowers/Guarantors/Mortgagors, **(1) M/s. G.A. Doors & More,** No. 675, Ground Floor, R.K Reddy Industrial Estate, Lakshmipura, Vidyaranyapura Post, Bengaluru-560097, **Represented by its Proprietor Mr. Bharath Kumar. G, 2) Mr. Bharath Kumar. G,** # 22, Kotishwari Nilaya, Anjanadhri Layout, 7th Cross, Shettihalli, Jalahalli West, Bengaluru-560015, to repay the amount mentioned in the notice being **Rs.1,55,07,469.36 Paisa** (Rupees One Crore Fifty Five Lakhs Seven Thousand Four Hundred Sixty Nine and Paisa Thirty Six Only) as on **28.02.2023** within 60 days from the date of receipt of the said notice, together with further interest and incidental expenses and costs.

The Borrowers/Guarantors/Mortgagors having failed to repay the amount, notice is hereby given to the Borrowers and the public in general, that the undersigned has taken possession of the property described herein below in exercise of powers conferred on him / her under Section 13 (4) of the said Act, read with Rules 8 & 9 of the Security Interest (Enforcement) Rules, 2002 on this **27th June 2023.**

The borrowers attention is invited to provisions of sub Section (8) of Section 13 of the Act, in respect of time available, to redeem the secured assets.

The Borrowers/Guarantors/Mortgagors in particular and the public in general are hereby cautioned not to deal with the property and any dealings with the property will be subject to the charge of **Canara Bank** for an amount of **Rs.1,55,07,469.36 Paisa** (Rupees One Crore Fifty Five Lakhs Seven Thousand Four Hundred Sixty Nine and Paisa Thirty Six Only) as on **28.02.2023** together with further interest and incidental expenses and costs.

Schedule "A" Property : 1) All that piece and parcel of Residentially converted land bearing Sy.No.13/1, 13/3, 13/12 (Old No. 13/4, 13/5 & 14/1) situated at Kammasandra Village, Attibele Hobli, Anekal Taluk, Bengaluru District, totally measuring 2 acres 9 1/2 Guntas (converted vide Order No.ALN(A)(A)/SR/199/06-07 Dated: 23.07.2009, DIS.ALN(A)/SR/255/04-05 Dated:16.12.2004, ALN/(A)(A)/SR/58/12-13 Dated:04.06.2012, ALN(A)(A)/CR/35/15-16 Dated:14.07.2015, ALN(A)(A)/SR/251/11-12 Dated: 05.03.2012, issued by the Special Deputy Commissioner, Bangalore District, and Composite Property is bounded: East by: Road& Remaining land of same Sy.No.13/5, West by: Property of H Muniyappa, North by: Property of Chinnaswamy, South by: Property of Ramaswamy, Sharadamma & Abbaiah.

Schedule "B" Property : Undivided share, Right title and interest in the composite property measuring 468 Square Feet each proportion to Schedule "C" Apartment.

Schedule "C" Property : 1) All that piece and parcel of the Property being Apartment bearing No.A-901, on the 9th Floor in the Apartment known as "Pragathi Amber" constructed on the Schedule "A" property, having a Super Built up Area of 1560 Square Feet.(which is inclusive of the common walls between the apartments and proportionate share in common area) and with covered Car parking space in Basement/Ground Floor.

2) All that piece and parcel of the Property being Apartment bearing No.A-1101, on the 11th Floor in the Apartment known as "Pragathi Amber" constructed on the Schedule "A "property, having a Super Built up Area of 1560 Square Feet. (Which is inclusive of the common walls between the apartments and proportionate share in common area) and with covered Car parking space in Basement/Ground Floor.

Date : 27.06.2023
Place : Bengaluru

Sd/- Authorised Officer
Canara Bank

DEPARTMENT OF INDUSTRIAL TRAINING & EMPLOYMENT
GOVT. MODEL INDUSTRIAL TRAINING INSTITUTE
Near Dairy Circle, Dharmaram College Post, Bengaluru - 560 029.
Phone No. 080 - 26562307 E-mail: kagiti_b29@yahoo.com

No: GMITI/IMC/CR-28/2019-2020 **Date: 26-06-2023**

SHORT TERM RE-TENDER NOTIFICATION
(Through e-Prourement Portal)

The sealed and superscribed short term Re-tender under Two Electronic Tender Document System as per Karnataka Transparency in Public Procurement Act 2000 through e-Procurement Portal are invited from the eligible and registered Suppliers for the **Procurement of Tools and Equipments for the Trade of MABP (Mechanic Auto Body Painting), MABR (Mechanic Auto Body Repair) and** short term tender for **Procurement of Tools and Equipments for the trade of IOT (Internet of Things) at Govt. Model ITI, Hosur Road, Bengaluru - 560029.**

1) Tender document is available for download from **28-06-2023. 2)** Last Date of Receipt of Tender through e-Portal: **07-07-2023 till 3.00 PM. 3)** Date of Opening of Technical Bid through e-Portal: **10-07-2023 at 11.00 AM.**

The tender document and tender processing fee details is available in e-Procurement portal, for further details visit e-Procurement Website: **https://www.eproc.karnataka.gov.in, Help Desk - Phone No: 080-25501216/25501227** or may also contact this office during working hours.

Sd/- Tender Inviting Authority/
Principal
Govt. Model ITI, Bengaluru.

DIPR/CP/393/Adverto/2023-24

The National Co-Operative Bank Ltd.,
No.73/1, Gandhi Bazaar Main Road, Bangalore - 560 004.
Ph: 080-22421998, 26618092, 26618093 E-mail: admin.ao@ncbl.org.in

POSSESSION NOTICE

Whereas the undersigned being the Authorized Officer of **The National Co-operative Bank Limited** under the Securitisation & Reconstruction of Financial Assets and Enforcement of Security Interest (Second) Ordinance, 2002 (Ord. 3 of 2002) and in exercise of powers conferred under section 13 (12) read with rule 9 of the Security Interest (Enforcement) Rules, 2002 issued a Demand Notice dated **30.12.2022** calling upon the borrower **Sri.Ashoka C** S/o Late Chikkaabbaiah residing at No.13, 8th Cross, Nagavarapalya, C.V Raman Nagar, Bengaluru-560093 and **co-obligants (1) Smt.Anitha.A** W/o Sri.Ashoka.C, No.13, 8th Cross, Nagavarapalya, C.V Raman Nagar, Bengaluru-560093 **(2) Sri.Madhu.A** S/o Sri.Ashoka.A, No.13, 8th Cross, Nagavarapalya, C.V Raman Nagar, Bengaluru-560093 **(3) Mrs.Chiatra V.B** W/o Sri.Madhu.A, No.13, 8th Cross, Nagavarapalya, C.V Raman Nagar, Bengaluru-560093 **(4) Sri.Manoj.A** S/o Ashoka.C No.13, 8th Cross, Nagavarapalya, C.V Raman Nagar, Bengaluru-560093 **(5) Smt.Monica** W/o Manoj.A, No.13, 8th Cross, Nagavarapalya, C.V Raman Nagar, Bengaluru-560093 **(6) Smt.Mala.A** D/o Sri.Ashoka.C, No.13, 8th Cross, Nagavarapalya, C.V Raman Nagar, Bengaluru-560093 to repay the amount mentioned in the notice being **Rs.11,51,32,154.00** (Rupees Eleven Crore Fifty One Lakh Thirty Two Thousand One Hundred Fifty Four Only) with interest from **01.12.2022** and other charges within 60 days from the date of receipt of the said notice. The amount due as on **30.11.2022 is Rs.11,51,32,154.00** (Rupees Eleven Crore Fifty One Lakh Thirty Two Thousand One Hundred Fifty Four Only) and interest thereon from **01.12.2022** and other charges.

The Borrower and the Co-obligant having failed to repay the entire amount, notice is hereby given to the borrower, co-obligants and the public in general that the undersigned has taken possession of the properties described herein below in exercise of powers conferred on him under section 13 (4) of the Ordinance read with rule 9 of the said rule on this **27th day of June the year 2023.**

The Borrower and the Co-obligant in particular and the public in general is hereby cautioned not to deal with the properties and any dealings with the properties will be subject to the charge of The National Co-operative Bank Limited for an amount of **Rs.11,51,32,154.00** (Rupees Eleven Crore Fifty One Lakh Thirty Two Thousand One Hundred Fifty Four Only) with interest from **01.12.2022** and other charges

DESCRIPTION OF THE IMMOVABLE PROPERTY SCHEDULE

ANNEXURE-1 : SCHEDULE-A : (1) All that piece and parcel of the Property bearing Flat No. 204, Second Floor, A-Block, "KRISHNAGEET SHELTERS" formed by Converted Land bearing Sy. No. 41/4, Situated at B Narayanapura Village, K R Puram Hobli, Bangalore East Taluk, Bengaluru measuring 1000 Sq. Ft of super built up area along with 355 Sq. Ft of undivided share, right, title and interest in the entire land measuring 61338 Sq. Ft with one covered car parking space.

2) All that piece and parcel of the Property bearing Flat No. 204/A, Second Floor, A-Block, "KRISHNAGEET SHELTERS" formed by Converted Land bearing Sy. No. 41/4, Situated at B Narayanapura Village, K R Puram Hobli, Bangalore East Taluk, Bengaluru measuring 675 Sq. Ft of super built up area along with 243 Sq. Ft of undivided share, right, title and interest in the entire land measuring 61338 Sq. Ft with one covered car parking space.

3) All that piece and parcel of the Property bearing Flat No. 007, Ground Floor, B-Block, "KRISHNAGEET SHELTERS" formed by Converted Land bearing Sy. No. 41/4, Situated at B Narayanapura Village, K R Puram Hobli, Bangalore East Taluk, Bengaluru measuring 1400 Sq. Ft of super built up area along with 500 Sq. Ft of undivided share, right, title and interest in the entire land measuring 61338 Sq. Ft with one covered car parking space.

4) All that piece and parcel of the Property bearing Flat No. 005, Ground Floor, A-Block, "KRISHNAGEET SHELTERS" formed by Converted Land bearing Sy. No. 41/4, Situated at B Narayanapura Village, K R Puram Hobli, Bangalore East Taluk, Bengaluru measuring 1175 Sq. Ft of super built up area along with 420 Sq. Ft of undivided share, right, title and interest in the entire land measuring 61338 Sq. Ft with one covered car parking space. All the above 4 items are bounded East by : Remaining Portion of Property bearing Sy. No. 41/4 owned by C Ashok, West by : Private Property, North by: Road and Private Property, South by: Private Property

SCHEDULE-B : SCHEDULE-A : All that piece and parcel of the Property bearing No. 154, Sy. No. 87/5 New No. 15, situated at Nagavarapalya, Benniganahalli Dhakale, K R Puram Hobli, Bangalore South Taluk, Bangalore, measuring East to West 77 Ft, North to South 105 ft and bounded on: East by : Road, West by : Doddabbaiah's Property, North by: Gajendra's Property, South by: Vajresh's Property

SCHEDULE-B : All that piece and parcel of the Property bearing New BBMP Khatha No. 13, Old Sy. No. 91/5, situated at Nagavarapalya, Benniganahalli Dhakale, K R Puram Hobli, Bangalore South Taluk, Bangalore, measuring East to West (71+72)/2 ft, North to South 40 ft and bounded on : East by : C. Lakshmana Property, West by :Muniswamappa's Property, North by: Gajendra's Property, South by: Road.

Date: 27.06.2023
Place: Bengaluru

Sd/- Authorised Officer
The National Co-Op Bank Ltd.,

FORM NO. 14: [See Regulation 33(2)]
By Regd. A/D, Dasti failing which by Publication.

OFFICE OF THE RECOVERY OFFICER - I/II
DEBTS RECOVERY TRIBUNAL BENGALURU (DRT 1)
BSNL Building , 4th Floor, Telephone House, Rajbhavan Road, Bangalore -560001

DEMAND NOTICE

NOTICE UNDER SECTIONS 25 TO 28 OF THE RECOVERY OF DEBTS & BANKRUPTCY ACT, 1993 AND RULE 2 OF SECOND SCHEDULE TO THE INCOME TAX ACT, 1961.

RC/277/2022 19/09/2022

KARNATAKA GRAMIN BANK Versus **C MUNIRAJU**

In the Matter of:
(CH 1) KARNATAKA GRAMIN BANK (FORMERLY KNOWN AS CAUVERY KALPATHARU GRAMINA BANK) DASANAPURA BRANCH, DASANAPURA -562 162, BENGALURU NORTH TALUK, BENGALURU DISTRICT.
...APPLICANT BANK/CERTIFICATE HOLDER
---VERSUS---
TO,
(CD 1) SRI. C. MUNIRAJU @ KUSUMA, S/O. LATE CHANNAPPA, RESIDING AT: NEAR BUS STAND, KEMPWGOWDA NAGARA, MAGADI MAIN ROAD, HONNAGANAHATTI VILLAGE, THAVAREKERE HOBLI, BENGALURU - 562 130.
(CD 2) SMT. N. LAKSHMI @ KUSUMA, W/o. SRI. C. MUNIRAJU, RESIDING AT: NEAR BUS STAND, KEMPWGOWDA NAGARA, MAGADI MAIN ROAD, HONNAGANAHATTI VILLAGE, THAVAREKERE HOBLI, BENGALURU - 562 130.
(CD 3) SRI. B. SHIVARAM, S/O. SRI. BYRAPPA, RESIDING AT: HALALASANDRA, A.VENKATAPURA, KOLALA HOBLI, NEAR GORAVANAHALLI MAHALAKSHMI TEMPLE, TUMKUR DISTRICT. ...DEFENDANTS/CERTIFICATE DEBTORS

This is to notify that as per the Recovery Certificate issued in pursuance of orders passed by the Presiding Officer, DEBTS RECOVERY TRIBUNAL, BENGALURU (DRT 1) in **OA/1460/2020** an amount of **Rs.27,92,938 (Rupees Twenty Seven Lakhs Ninety Two Thousands Nine Hundred Thirty Eight Only)** along with pendentelite and future interest @9% w.e.f. 26/11/2020 till realization and costs of **Rs.62,934 (Rupees Sixty Two Thousands Nine Hundred Thirty Four Only)** has become due against you (Jointly and severally/ Fully/Limited). 2. You are hereby directed to pay the above sum within 15 days of the receipts of the notice, failing which the recovery shall be made in accordance with the Recovery of Debts Due to Banks and Financial Institutions Act, 1993 and Rules there under. 3. You are hereby ordered to declare on an affidavit the particulars of yours assets on or before the next date of hearing. 4. You are hereby ordered to appear before the undersigned on **19/10/2022 at 10:30 a.m.** for further proceedings. 5. In addition to the sum aforesaid, you will also be liable to pay:
(a) Such interests as is payable for the period commencing immediately after this notice of the certificate/execution proceedings.
(b) All costs, charges and expenses incurred in respect of the service of this notice and warrants and other processes and all other proceedings taken for recovering the amount due.
Given under my hand and the seal of the Tribunal, on this **date: 19/09/2022**

Sd/- RECOVERY OFFICER
DEBTS RECOVERY TRIBUNAL, BENGALURU (DRT 1)

ASSET RECOVERY BRANCH
2/3, Raja Building NR Road
Bengaluru - 560002

POSSESSION NOTICE [Rule - 8 (1)] (For immovable Property)

Whereas: The undersigned being the Authorized Officer of the **Union Bank of India, Asset Recovery Branch, Bangalore,** under the Securitization and Reconstruction of Financial Assets and Enforcement of Security Interest Act, 2002 and in exercise of the powers conferred under Section 13(2) read with rule 3 of the Security Interest (Enforcement) Rules 2002, ARB Bangalore, Branch issued a Demand Notice dated **15.04.2022** calling upon the **Borrowers/Guarantor : 1.) M/s Karavalli Restaurant and Lodge, Prop: T Jaganatha Shetty,** No. 42, Maruthi Layout, 1st B Cross, Bangalore-560024. **2.) Mr. T Jaganatha Shetty,** No. 42, Maruthi Layout, 1st B Cross, Bangalore-560024. **3.) Mrs Geeta J Shetty.** W/o T Jaganatha Shetty, No. 42, Maruthi Layout, 1st B Cross, Bangalore-560024 to repay the dues mentioned in the notice being **Rs. 91,65,,404.89/-** (Rupees Ninety One Lakhs Sixty Five Thousand Four Hundred Four and Eighty Nine Paisa Only) plus interest thereon within 60 days from the date of receipt of the said notice.

The Borrowers having failed to repay the amount, notice is hereby given to the Borrowers and the public in general that the undersigned has taken symbolic possession of the property described herein below in exercise of powers conferred on him/her under Section 13(4) of the said Act read with rule 8 of the Security Interest Enforcement) Rules 2002 on this **28th Day of June 2023.**

The borrower in particular and the public in general is hereby cautioned not to deal with the property and any dealings with the property will be subject to the charge of **Union Bank of India, Asset Recovery Branch** for an amount of **Rs. 92,27,899.88/-** (Rupees Ninety Two Lakhs Twenty Seven Thousand Eight Hundred Ninety Nine and Eighty Eight Paisa Only) as on **30.05.2023** and interest/Cost/Expenses thereon.

The borrower's attention is invited to the provisions of Sub-section (8) of Section 13 of the Act, in respect of time available, to redeem the secured assets.

We hereby withdraw the earlier possession Notice dated **04.03.2022** and issue this fresh notice under Section 13 (4) of SARFAESI Act 2002.

Description of the immovable property: Property 1: All that piece and parcel of the residential property bearing No. 42, Property no. 69/2, Old house List Khata No. 746, New house List Khata no. 1416, situated at Dasarahalli Village, K R Puram Hobli, Bangalore East Taluk measuring East to West 40 feet and North to South 60 feet totally measuring 2400 sq.feet and is bounded on the : East by : House Site No. 41, West by : House Site no. 43, North by : Road, South by : Private Layout,

Property 2: All that piece and parcel of the vacant site bearing No. 41, Old house List Khata No. 746, New house List Khata no. 1413, situated at Dasarahalli Village, K R Puram Hobli, Bangalore East Taluk measuring East to West 40 feet and North to South 60 feet totally measuring 2400 sq.feet and is bounded on the : East by : House Site No.40, West by : House Site No. 42, North by : Road, South by : Private Layout.

Date: 28.06.2023
Place: Bengaluru

Authorised Officer
Union Bank of India

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DAY'S DIARY

iPhone for sale

The first iPhone went on sale on this day in 2007 and it helped Apple grow into a $3-trillion company over the next 15 years

TEAM LEADERS

In 2000, Steve Jobs became the CEO of Apple. He had resigned in 1985. When the stores opened in 2001, Tim Cook was Apple's senior vice president of operations

MAC EXPERIENCE

At each Apple store, salespeople demonstrated Mac's running innovative applications like iTunes and iMovie, as well as Mac OS X

BRANDING

Apple broke the tradition of selling phones for cheaper price in the beginning, selling the original iPhone outright for $499 and $599

Check out what's happening in the city

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MERITS OF A MAESTRO

Art curator Vivek Radhakrishnan on the significance of their ongoing retrospective on JMS Mani's oeuvre, the first one since the late artist's unfortunate passing

TUNIR BISWAS

JM Subramani, better known as JMS Mani, passed away in June 2021 but left a legacy that is undying and vibrant. In June 2023, the KYNKYNY Art Gallery on Infantry Road, on Mani's death anniversary month, has been running a retrospective on his body of work. The exhibition will be going on until June 30, from 11am to 6pm. Vivek Radhakrishnan, founder and curator at KYNKYNY, says, "JMS was a hugely popular artist, and this is the first exhibition of his work since his sad and unfortunate demise, so a lot of collectors and enthusiasts have been eagerly waiting for it. We had been planning the exhibition with JMS' family for over a year, and we felt that now was the right time for it, two years after his passing," shares Radhakrishnan about the exhibition titled 'Badami and beyond: A Retrospective of JMS Mani'.

The goal of the exhibition, much like its name, goes beyond just honouring Mani. "The aim of this exhibition was not only to remember and honour a great artist, but also to showcase his incredible range of work. Not many people are familiar with his work beyond the Badami series, and it is truly fantastic art, so we felt it needed to be highlighted. What is on display and available at the gallery is the best of his remaining works, so something very special indeed. We also have a display of his sketches and photographs since his student days. This allows the viewers to experience Mani's creative thinking and process through the length of his life," he says.

Since Radhakrishnan and the gallery has had a long-term relationship with the late artist, this retrospective feels a bit personal. "JMS Mani was a very important person to us, and someone who pushed us to start this art gallery 20 years ago. Our connection with him dates much before that too, so this exhibition certainly has a lot of emotion and historical importance," he explains.

To Radhakrishan, Mani has left a visible impression on the city's young artists. "I believe there is hardly anyone around who has done as much for their students as JMS Mani did for his. His complete focus was on them and creating opportunities for them to grow as artists. From his many students that we have worked with and supported over the years, I would not say that I see a stylistic influence, but I definitely know that he has influenced their work ethic and attitude. He was a tough teacher, but instilled in his students what is needed to survive in what can be a very challenging line of work," he says.

JMS Mani

Vivek Radhakrishnan

Revamp your Kanjeevaram sarees with Kalamkari art and Batik print with this sustainable initiative

Twist to tradition

MONIKA MONALISA

If you are thinking of revamping your old Kanjeevaram saree, the usual choices are either converting them into a dress or a south Indian 'langa'. But with some help from fashion designer Latha Puttanna, you can pick an alternative. With her latest sustainable initiative, Puttanna is using Kalamkari art and Batik print to give old Kanjeevaram sarees a fresh lease of life.

A flag bearer of heirloom fashion, Puttanna's initiative was borne out of her own experimentation with old Kanjeevaram sarees. "I have so many silk sarees and over time, you get over certain sarees. I decided to get a Kalamkari print done on one of them and it not only came out fresh as new, but also intrigued a few people. The rich silk texture of the Kanjeevaram saree served as the perfect canvas for the intricate Kalamkari designs and the bold Batik patterns. I thought why not offer it to anyone else who is also interested in doing it too," says Puttanna, adding that she has also tried it on her chiffon sarees.

Kalamkari prints for an entire saree start from ₹20,000 onwards

What's the difference between the two artforms? "Kalamkari is a type of hand-painted or block-printed cotton textile that is traditionally practiced in Andhra Pradesh and Telangana. The art of Kalamkari involves intricate designs and motifs that are inspired by nature, mythology, and folklore. Batik dye, on the other hand, is a wax-resist dyeing technique in which hot wax is applied to the fabric in a specific pattern, and then the fabric is dyed. The wax acts as an insulator, and the pattern remains untouched by the dye," the veteran designer explains.

The initiative has gone well with many of her clients as well, many of which reaching out to her to help conserve their heirloom pieces. "One of my clients had this 40-year-old Kanjeevaram handwoven silk saree that hadn't seen the light of the day for a few decades. We didn't think embroidery was suitable, because not all sarees are meant for that. Also you find embroidery everywhere nowadays. So, we tried something different and did a fusion of Kalamkari and Batik dye," says Puttanna.

A firm believer of sustainable fashion, Puttanna is of the view that 'merely shopping less' is not enough, and advocates for a sustainable ecosystem for artists and weavers. "When you pick a Kanjeevaram saree you give employment to a weaver. Likewise, when you conserve an old saree, you are giving employment to an artist who is going to give new life to that piece of clothing," she adds.

For Kalamkari, Puttanna has collaborated with the artisans from Andhra Pradesh, opting for chemical free traditional methods. While Batik prints are done by artisans from Gujarat.

Puttana says they're open to taking customised orders as well. "We do have certain pieces, but these kinds of work are done on order, because these are customised pieces and people are very particular about the kind of prints they want," she says.

Latha Puttanna

Seniors in Bengaluru are taking lessons in AI tools like ChatGPT to remain up-to-date with trending technology

Talk in tech town

ChatGPT definitely intrigued a lot of people. They were excited by its possibilities...They wanted to know its use cases and benefits. So I started doing these sessions

Shreya Bajaj, entrepreneur

EXPRESS FEATURES

Almost four times a week, city-based entrepreneur **Shreya Bajaj** gets on a video conference session with a bunch of senior citizens from across the country. Over the course of the next hour or two, she teaches 'senior students' crucial skills required in the digital age – using everyday tech. From payments to Canva, Google sheets to iOS, Bajaj has been hosting digital literacy classes for senior citizens since the pandemic through her platform EasyHai. But recently, after requests from some of her 'students', she has also started to teach AI, coaching seniors in the imprecise art of using tools like ChatGPT.

"When we originally started during the pandemic, it was mostly about teaching senior citizens how to pay their electricity bills online or order groceries. We didn't really have a clear goal in mind. But after nearly three years, we teach over 40 digital literacy courses, helping people get up to speed on the latest and trending technologies and tools," Bajaj shares, adding that a majority of her students are women since men prefer to have one-one sessions.

While tools like Canva, Google Sheets and more have more or less been the standard curriculum at EasyHai, after the launch of ChatGPT late last year, Bajaj started to get more and more requests from her students to teach them how to use the trendy tool. "I would love to take credit for all the course ideas, but without suggestions from my students, I wouldn't have even imagined teaching AI tools," she shares, adding that, unlike all the tools she previously taught, she herself was new to AI tools and had to get herself accustomed to them before she could start teaching. "ChatGPT definitely intrigued a lot of people. They were excited by its possibilities. A younger group of entrepreneurs and marketers initially asked me to do a session. They wanted to know its use cases and benefits. So I started doing these big free sessions," she shares.

But as she did more and more ChatGPT classes, she encountered lively debates about the future of AI and its impact on the world. "They were very excited about the technology, but they were more apprehensive about the tech. So then, I started researching more and decided to do classes about the limitations of AI in its current state and how to use it in an ethical manner. I think the whole game changed after that because they were like, they're so much more aware," she adds.

Bajaj says many of her students have put their knowledge of ChatGPT to creative and entrepreneurial use. "They use chatGPT to create scripts for Instagram reels, writing difficult emails, caption ideas, LinkedIn posts, and more," she adds.

KNOW YOUR CITY

Arun Prasad, city-based history researcher, unravels interesting facts about Bengaluru in this weekly quiz series. So it's time for you to find out how familiar you are with the city, beyond its heritage buildings, IT parks and the pub culture.

THE QUIZ WILL BE PUBLISHED EVERY WEDNESDAY

Send answers to **bengalurucityexpress@gmail.com** with the subject line **'Know Your City Quiz'** Correct answers and names of first three respondents with right answers will be featured in *CE* on Thursday.

THE RIGHT ANSWERS ARE

1) Upparpet Police Station 2) Rice Memorical Church 3) Gandhi Nagar

FIRST THREE TO GET IT RIGHT

1) M B Balasubramanyam
2) B N Gundanna
3) K.Sachidananda Aithal

CITY READ

Girish Karnad's Tughlaq to be staged tomorrow

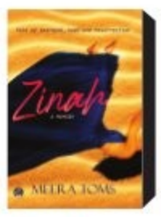
Playwright Girish Karnad's acclaimed play *Tughlaq* will once more be staged at Ranga Shankara on June 30 and July 1 by city-based arts organisation Bhoomija. Directed by S Surendranath with design by M S Sathyu, the play explores political tactics, religious disputes, and interpersonal connections and features well-known performers from the Kannada theatre scene.

BOOK NOOK

My Illegitimate Son

By Sanjay Jha

Two strangers meet serendipitously. Their contrasting individual paths that portend a star-crossed disaster suddenly find a shared future. A stirringly poignant story, which has both riotous laughter and abundant sorrow.



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By Meera Toms

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Butterfly in a Bind

By Sehba Ghosh

A crime thriller where ACP Shyama finds the body of a trans woman in an idol of Maa Durga on a shore. Set in Kolkata, the story is about the life of the victim and how ACP Shyama finds the culprit and brings justice to the victim.

Leaving

By Kanchan Bhaskar

An arranged marriage with an awkward start explodes into abuse in mere weeks of its beginning. It would take two decades for Kanchan Bhaskar to untangle from the man who was a stranger that became her husband and ultimately her abuser.

WHAT WHEN WHY WHERE

Brushes and Dreams

The COG India Art Foundation has organised its signature event: an art exhibition for kids in Bengaluru, a fantastic chance for your kids to learn and develop.

WHEN: June 30, 5.30pm
WHERE: Karnataka Chitrakala Parishath, Seshadripuram **DETAILS:** allevents.in

Tarangini

The Raagotsava Team will present a devotional semi-classical concert on the occasion of Ashada Ekadasi.

WHEN: June 29, 6.30pm
WHERE: Sri Maha- Lakshmi temple, Seshadripuram
CALL: 09035013636

SLICES OF LAUGHTER

Watch some of the funniest comedians in the city and have a blast. **WHEN:** June 29, 8pm **WHERE:** Glen's BakeHouse, Kalyan Nagar **DETAILS:** bookmyshow.com

CULTURAL CROSSROADS

Take part in 'The Bengaluru Cultural Tracker: Intersections: Arts and Culture', a conference as part of the Culture Working Group under India's G20 Presidency **WHEN:** July 7, 10am **WHERE:** Museum of Art & Photography, Ashok Nagar **CALL:** 80693 34100

BUILDING BONANZA

To get your child away from their modern devices and back to basics, engage them in the block game organised by the Troy block.

WHEN: June 29, 11am
WHERE: Troy Block Center, Indiranagar
DETAILS: insider.in

Melody Mall Fest

Listen to Indian Ocean's latest album *Tu Hai* to experience the city's mix of many musical genres.

WHEN: June 30, 7.30pm
WHERE: Phoenix Market City, Whitefield
DETAILS: bookmyshow.com

Tall Shakti

The BVB Alumni (Kathak) in collaboration with Bharatiya Vidya Bhavan is organising a dance performance by the students as a tribute to Chitra Venugopal. **WHEN:** July 2, 6pm **WHERE:** ESV Auditorium, Race Course Road **CALL:** +918022267421

HAIR AFFAIR

Models walking the ramp as they showcase the brand Streax's latest collection.

QUICK FIX

DUM KA MURGH

Contributed by **Kamala**, Hyderabad

INGREDIENTS

- **Chicken:** 1/2 kg
- **Curd:** 1 cup
- **Lemon:** 1
- **Garam masala**
- **Turmeric powder**
- **Grated coconut:** 1/2 cup
- **Cashew nuts:** 1/2 cup
- **Ginger-garlic paste:** 1 tbsp
- **Red chilli powder**
- **Salt**

METHOD

- Blend cashewnuts and coconut to make a fine paste.
- Add salt, turmeric powder, red chilli powder, ginger-garlic paste, cashewnut-coconut paste, curd and squeeze one lime on top of it.
- Mix it properly and marinate it at least for half an hour.
- In a pan, add two/three spoons of oil, marinated chicken and put a lid on it.
- Put the flame on medium and let it cook until the water evaporates.
- Serve it after garnishing with coriander.

What's cooking in your kitchen?

We are hungry for recipes with minimum ingredients and maximum flavours. Share your quick-fix with us, along with step-by-step photos, at bengalurucityexpress@gmail.com

FIT BIT

VIPARITA NAMASKAR VIRABHADRASANA 3

(REVERSE PRAYER WARRIOR 3)

It is a dynamic standing asana that requires balance, focus and strength. It is named after Virabhadra, an incarnation of Shiva and a powerful warrior in Hindu mythology. It stimulates the Sahasrara (crown) chakra and reduces anxiety

STEPS

- Start in Tadasana (Mountain Pose), take a few breaths.
- Deeply inhale and step your legs 4 to 5 feet apart.
- Exhale, turn the right foot 90 degrees to the right and the left foot 45-60 degrees to the right.
- Bend the right knee until your thigh becomes parallel to the floor and perpendicular to your shin. The knee must be aligned right over your heel and must not extend beyond the heel.
- Exhale and bend your trunk forward parallel to the floor.
- Shift the weight of your body on your right leg as you lift the left leg off the floor, parallel.
- Simultaneously raise your left leg (keeping it straight) and straighten your right leg. The knee of the left leg must face downward. Look either straight or down.
- The whole body except the right leg becomes parallel to the floor and brings both of your arms back of your body to join the palms in Namaskar Mudra, which is the final position of Warrior 3. Once you find balance, stretch your left leg backward.
- Retain the pose from 5 to 30 seconds taking deep breaths.
- Exhale and lower the left leg back onto the floor along with bending the right leg.
- Practise again from the other side.

BENEFITS

- This pose relieves stiffness in the neck, shoulders and back.
- It aids in reducing hip fat.
- More useful for people suffering from sciatica.
- Enhances blood circulation in the body.
- Tones and strengthens knees, thighs and ankles.
- This asana stimulates abdominal organs and aids digestion.
- It builds stamina; develops a sense of balance and coordination.

LIMITATIONS

People suffering from heart problems, severe neck or shoulder pain, knee pain, high blood pressure or recent chronic illnesses, spinal ailments, must avoid this pose.

Since it is an arduous pose, avoid holding it for too long.

By N Elumalai, PhD Scholar (Yoga Science) at Meenakshi Academy of Higher Education & Research, Chennai

NOW STREAMING

REGIONAL

KADINA KADORAMEE ANDAKADAHAM (Malayalam)

In the coastal region of north Kerala, a young man faces daily challenges. He must rise above it all to finally be happy.

Cast: Basil Joseph, Parvathy R Krishna, Sreeja Ravi

- **Watch on:** SonyLIV

AAMIS (Assamese)

A lonely, married woman bonds with a younger man over their shared love of unusual foods. As their excursions become more adventurous, their relationship begins to take a dark turn.

Cast: Lima Das, Arghadeep Baruah, Neetali Das

- **Watch on:** SonyLIV

VEDHA (Kannada)

A father and daughter embark on a killing spree in a bid to seek revenge against those who have wronged them. However, a police officer seeks to put an end to their murders.

Cast: Shivarajkumar, Ganavi Laxman, Veena Ponnappa

- **Watch on:** ZEE5

All the streaming apps can be accessed on smartphones and smart TVs with Internet connection.

SEMBI (Tamil)

After facing injustice and murdering a police officer, an elderly woman and a girl, board a bus to escape. However, they are unexpectedly helped by the passengers of the bus.

Cast: Kovai Sarala, Mullai Arasi, Gnanasambandam Gurunathan

- **Watch on:** Disney+ Hotstar

KATHAL (Hindi)

A local politician's prized jackfruit trees have disappeared from his garden. A young policewoman desperately tries to solve this strange case to prove herself worthy of her position.

Cast: Sanya Malhotra, Anant V Joshi, Neha Saraf

- **Watch on:** Netflix

SHAAKUNTALAM (Telugu)

Shakuntala and King Dushyant marry, but Dushyant forgets all about her due to a sage's curse.

Cast: Samantha Ruth Prabhu, Dev Mohan, Aditi Balan

- **Watch on:** Amazon Prime Video

FOREIGN

HUNGER (Thai)

Aoy runs her family's stir-fried noodles restaurant in the old quarter of Bangkok. One day, she receives an invitation to leave the family business and join team Hunger, Thailand's number one luxury chef's table team led by a famous chef.

Cast: Chutimon Chuengcharoe, Nopachai Chaiyanam, Gunn Svasti

- **Watch on:** Netflix

KILL BOKSOON (Korean)

The crime action revolves around a renowned assassin. At home, she's a single mum to a teenage girl. Killing is easy. It's parenting that's the hard part.

Cast: Jeon Do-Yeon, Esom, Lee Yeon

- **Watch on:** Netflix

MY FAULT (Spanish)

Noah has to leave her town, boyfriend and friends behind and move into the mansion of her mother's new rich husband. There she meets Nick, her new stepbrother. She soon discovers that, behind the image of a model son, Nick is hiding something.

Cast: Gabriel Guevara, Nicole Wallace, Fran Berenguer

- **Watch on:** Amazon Prime Video

STAN LEE (English)

Industry veterans paint an intimate portrait of Stan Lee, his philosophy and his legacy through a selection of his personal archives, interviews, and the colourful and wondrous characters he created.

Cast: Stan Lee

- **Watch on:** Disney+ Hotstar

SUBSCRIPTION	
Netflix:	₹199/month
Prime Video:	₹299/month
MX Player:	₹499/year
Disney+Hotstar:	₹899/year
Lionsgate Play:	₹699/year
Jio Cinema:	₹999/year
ZEE5:	₹699/year
SONY LIV:	₹299/month

WORKING AROUND LONELINESS

A recent study reveals that loneliness can accelerate the ageing process more than smoking, highlighting the critical need to address this societal issue

DR GIRISHCHANDRA

LONELINESS has long been recognised as a deep-seated human emotion that can profoundly affect our well-being. A study, however, has recently proven that the impact of loneliness on our health extends far beyond our emotional condition. The study reveals that loneliness can accelerate the ageing process more than smoking, highlighting the critical need to address this societal issue.

The connection between loneliness and ageing originates from the complex interplay that exists between our mental and physical well-being. Loneliness goes far beyond a mere emotional state, significantly affecting our physical health. Prolonged feelings of loneliness trigger physiological responses that can lead to chronic inflammation, weakened immune function, and accelerated cellular ageing.

This process contributes to various health conditions, including cardiovascular diseases, hypertension, and cognitive decline. It is crucial to understand that loneliness has a tangible impact on our overall well-being.

Identifying loneliness symptoms

Understanding the indicators of loneliness allows people to make proactive efforts to improve their mental and physical well-being. Long-term feelings of emptiness, social retreat, difficulties building meaningful relationships, increased pessimism, and a lack of drive or interest in daily tasks are all signs of loneliness. Early identification of these indications can assist in seeking appropriate support and action.

Value of self-love

Self-love is essential in combating loneliness. Developing self-compassion and engaging in self-care activities such as mindfulness, journaling, or hobbies fosters an optimistic sense of self-worth. Having a positive self-image allows people to build resilience and provide themselves with ways to cope with the strain that comes with loneliness.

Managing loneliness-related stress

Minimising the stress of loneliness necessitates active participation and the strength of the human connection. Cultivating meaningful relationships mitigates the negative consequences of loneliness by giving emotional support, companionship, and a sense of belonging. Participating in community events, joining social clubs, or volunteering promotes social connections and provides a chance to make lasting connections. Getting professional help through therapy or support groups can also provide helpful guidance and tools for coping with the issues of loneliness.

Risk faced by young adults

Young adults, immersed in a digital era, face unique challenges regarding loneliness and social isolation. With the pervasive use of smartphones and the allure of social media, genuine human interactions can often take a backseat. While appearing connected virtually, young adults may experience feelings of isolation and disconnection. Balancing virtual interactions with real-life connections is crucial to safeguard their mental and physical well-being.

We can combat loneliness and pave the way for a happier, healthier future by cultivating a society that values genuine relationships, encourages social activity, and de-stigmatises mental health concerns. Let us embrace the power of human connection and prioritise our well-being, for it contains the secret to a life full of vitality and longevity.

(The writer is sr. consultant - psychiatry, Aster CMI Hospital, Bangalore)

MISS-FIT

Wanitha Ashok

Wanitha Ashok is a Fit India Movement Ambassador and celebrity fitness coach

1 I recently turned 40, and suddenly realised that my age is showing on my body. Please help me reduce the signs of ageing.

Ageing is inevitable, we cannot stop the clock, but we can slow down the ticking. Nothing brings on age faster than stress, junk food and a sedentary lifestyle. Regular exercise, along with a good diet can do wonders to beat your chronological and biological age. Your chronological age is the numerical age of your body and biological age is the functional capacities of your overall health of the organs, tissues, cells and physical fitness.

2 I used to weigh 50kg in my 20s and hardly put on weight. Now in my mid-30s, it is so difficult to lose weight even if I am regularly working out.

People tend to gain fat as they age due to a reduction in metabolism caused by a gradual loss of muscle starting in the mid-20s. The average person loses approximately 200gm of muscle per year beginning in their mid 20s, and gains approximately one pound of fat. Each lost pound of muscle depresses the body's metabolism by about 40 calories a day. By the mid 40s this adds up to a loss of 10 pounds or 4.5 kg of muscle and a gain of 20 pounds or 9kgs of fat on average. To fight this weight gain, the natural reaction is dieting which further leads to loss in muscle mass.

3 I am diabetic and it's one of the primary reasons I am exhausted during workouts. Is there anything I can do to control it?

Glucose levels swing dramatically during exercise. People with diabetes should monitor their levels carefully before, during, and after workouts. They should probably avoid exercise if glucose levels are above 300 mg/dL or under 100 mg/dL. People with diabetes should drink plenty of fluids. Before exercising, they should avoid alcohol and certain medications, such as beta-blockers, which increase the risk of hypoglycemia.

NUGGETS

WALKATHON AGAINST DRUG ABUSE AND TRAFFICKING HELD

On International Day against Drug Abuse and Illicit Trafficking on June 26, mental healthcare provider Cadabam's Hospitals held a walkathon. The event, with the slogan 'Educate, Don't Dictate', drew a wide range of people in raising awareness against drug abuse. More than 500 participants gathered at Shalini Grounds in Jayanagar and embarked on a march to Cadabam's Hospitals in JP Nagar. CK Ramamurthy, a Member of the Legislative Assembly from Jayanagar was also present at the event.

BE WELL WITH WATERMELON

ANGELINA ROSE J

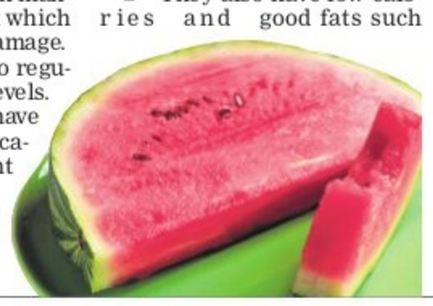
IN this day and age, with people adopting healthy dietary habits, consuming seeds is becoming a nutritional trend across age group. Among the intake of various seeds, watermelon seeds are also on the food charts. Usually, watermelon seeds are discarded once the fruit is eaten. But due to the hype over the nutritional intake of seeds, watermelon seeds are consumed through various mediums in day-to-day food items. Dr Hari Lakshmi, dietician at Motherhood Hospital, says, "Since watermelon seeds have various minerals and nutrients such as zinc, iron, magnesium and protein which contribute in boosting one's immunity, it's an easier way to access daily intake of nutrition rather than taking medicines."

Advantages

- Watermelon seeds help to improve skin conditions as they have high contents of vitamin C and antioxidants and can be used to treat acne, pimples and eczema.
- They also facilitate hair growth as they have high manganese and zinc content which prevents hair fall and damage.
- These seeds help to regulate lower blood sugar levels.
- Watermelon seeds have hints of iron so they are capable of giving instant energy.
- These seeds are packed with minerals and vitamin B which are capable of boosting immunity.
- They also have low calories and good fats such as polyunsaturated and monounsaturated fats which are good for regulating cholesterol levels and maintaining heart conditions.

Nutrient break-up

- Per day: 100 g
- 557 calories
- 47.37 g of fat
- 15.31 g of carbs
- 28.33 g of protein



How to include in your diet

- Could be consumed alongside breakfast cereal and fruit salads.
- Could be used in making nutritious bars and *laddoos* with nuts.
- Can be used as a seasoning or garnish in sweets and savouries.
- Could be consumed with milk.

Who can consume watermelon seeds?

There are no restrictions as they are versatile except for people who are allergic. Children below 6-8 months are preferably advised not to have these seeds as it may cause choking.

ROASTED WATERMELON SEEDS

INGREDIENTS

Raw watermelon seeds: 1 cup

Salt: 1 tbsp **Water:** 1 cup

METHOD

Gather all the seeds from the watermelon, rinse them thoroughly, and allow them to completely dry in the sunlight.

After drying off, place the watermelon seeds on a frying pan on medium heat and turn them over until they are roasted.

Add salt to a cup of water and stir until dissolved.

Pour the saltwater into the frying pan and stir it occasionally until the water has evaporated.

Once done, allow the seeds to cool off. Your roasted watermelon seeds are ready to eat.

CLASSIFIEDS

PUBLIC NOTICE

CHANGE OF NAME

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I, **MAMTHA KUMARI**, aged 33 years, D/o. Mr. **Joga Singh,** residing at #27, Panchala Singappa Lane, Ranasingh Pet, Bengaluru-560053, have changed my minor Son name From **HIMANCHU** to **AAKASH RAJPUROHIT** vide affidavit dated 28-06-2023 sworn before Notary **H.S.SAKALESH ARADHYA**, BENGALURU.

CHANGE OF NAME

I, **MAHESH PAI MANI** S/o Krishna Pai Mani, R/o No.35 2nd Main Shreyas Colony JP Nagar 7th Phase, Bangalore - 560078, have permanently changed my name from **MAHESH PAI MANI** to **MAHESH PAI**, vide affidavit dated 27/06/2023, sworn before notary L.Puttaraju, Bangalore.

CHANGE OF NAME

I, **Mr. RISIKESH RAVILICHITTY KISHOR,** aged about 23 years, **S/o. R Kishor Kumar,** residing at H948, Divyashree Republic of Whitefield, 23, Kundalahalli Road, Brookfield, Bengaluru, Karnataka - 560 066, do hereby declare that I have changed my name from **R K RISIKESH** to **Mr. RISIKESH RAVILICHITTY KISHOR** vide affidavit dated 27.06.2023, sworn to before M. Krishnamurthy, Advocate & Notary Public, Bengaluru.

CHANGE OF NAME

I, **Tejas.R,** S/o. Rajashekara.V, aged about 32 years, residing at No.03, 3rd Cross, 17th Main, AGS Layout, Arehalli, Subramanyapura, Bengaluru-560061, Karnataka. Hereby declare that, I have changed my name from **'Tejas.R'** to **"RajTejas.R"** Vide Affidavit dated:28/6/2023. Sworn before Advocate and Notary V. Srinivasa Reddy, Bangalore.

CHANGE OF NAME

I, **B. SHANKARANARAYANA BAIRY,** SON OF SRINIVASA BAIRY, residing at No.41/8, "Sri Rachana", 5th cross, Krishna Layout, Hulimavu, Bannerghatta Road, Bangalore-560076, Aadhaar No. 936324783027, have sworned to an affidavit **on 24/06/2023 before K.V.Mani, Notary,** Bangalore, stating that Shankaranarayana Bairy, **B.Shankarnarayana Bairy and B.Shankaranarayana Bairy** belongs to me only and for all future and practical purposes my name will be **"B.SHANKARANARAYANA BAIRY"**

CHANGE OF NAME

We, 1) Mr. PRASHANT SINGH RATHORE, S/o. Bijendra Singh Rathore, aged about 42 years, **2) Mrs. ANSHU SINGH,** Wo. Mr. Prashant Singh Rathore, aged about 37 years, both are residing at Flat No. B-604, Sterling Park Apartment. Sahakaranagar Bangalore-560092 we have changed our daughter's name from **MISHTHA SINGH to MAYRA SINGH** vide affidavit dated 30.05.2023 sworn before Advocate and Notary L.B. Anasuyamma, Bangalore

CHANGE OF NAME

I, **SHUKRUTH GOWDA .G,** age 21 years, S/o Sri Gangaiah, R/at Kadasinganahalli, Kempanahalli Post, Huthridurga Hobli, Kunigal Taluk, Tumkur Dist., present address No. 88, Belekalu, Byadrahalli, Ullal Main Road, Vishwaneedam Post, Bangalore-560 091 do hereby declare that I have changed my name from **BOREGOWDA .K.G** to **SHUKRUTH GOWDA .G,** henceforth I shall be known and called as **SHUKRUTH GOWDA .G,** only for all purposes, vide affidavit dated 29th April 2023, sworn before Advocate and Notary **H.R. KARUNAKARA,** Bangalore.

CHANGE OF NAME

I, **SANDEEP PRAKASH MUDGAL** Father of VRISHAK, S/o Mr. Sandeep Prakash Mudgal, resident of Flat No. 201, 1st Floor, Fortitude Proxima, Dr. Vishnuvardhan Road, Opp. Uttarahalli Bus Stand, Subramanyapura Post, Bangalore-560061, Karnataka, India, have changed my Son's name from **VRISHAK** to **VRISHANK SANDEEP MUDGAL**, vide affidavit dated 28/06/2023 sworn before notary H.G PADMANABHA RAO, Reg. No.12464, Bangalore.

CHANGE OF NAME

I, **BADRUNISSA** R/at No.108, Arkawathi Apartment,CAR New Police Quarters, Mysore Road, Chamarajapet, Bangalore- 56018,have changed my name to **BADERUNNISA** vide affidavit dated: 28/6/2023 Before Notary **H.S.Sakalesh Aradhya** Bangalore.

CHANGE OF NAME

I, **RAJEESH KUNNANCHATCH** S/o Ramakrishnan Azhikkattil R/o No. A-108, Suvastu serene 14th cross, Earappa reddy Layout Parappana Agrahara, Electronic city Bangalore - 560100, have permanently changed my name from **RAJEESH KUNNANCHATCH** to **RAJEESH RAMAKRISHNAN**, vide affidavit dated 28/06/2023, sworn before notary L.Puttaraju, Bangalore.

CHANGE OF NAME

I, **LABALY KUMARA SINGH,** aged about 27 years, W/o. Raghavendra Kandagal, residing at No. 18, Behind Govt. School, Giridhamanagar, Doddabettahalli, Vidhyanapura Post, Bangalore - 560 097, do hereby declare that I have changed my name from **LABALY KUMARA SINGH** to **POOJASHREE KANDAGAL** vide affidavit dated 28.06.2023, sworn to before Shreeshail B. Gobbani, Advocate & Notary Public, Govt. of India, Bengaluru.

CHANGE OF NAME

I, **VIVEK KUMAR V** (DOB:28.09.1998) S/o Mrs. Venkateshwaramma A, Resident of : No.134, G FLR, 3rd Cross, Shamrajpura Layout, Vidyaranyapura, Bangalore - 560 097, have changed my name from **VIVEK KUMAR V** to **VIVEK KUMAR ANUPU,** Vide affidavit dated 27.06.2023 sworn to before Notary Public G.P. CHAYA, Bengaluru.

CHANGE OF NAME

I, **SOUMYA M MUKUND, W/o Venugopal.N.M, aged about 41 years, residing at No. 2, Shree Residency, Flat No. 003, 1st Floor, 15th Cross, 1st Temple Street, Malleshwaram, Bengaluru 560003, have changed my name to SOUMYA VENUGOPAL** for all purposes. vide affidavit dated 28.06.2023 sworn before Advocate and Notary M.S. Satish, Bangalore

CHANGE OF NAME

I, **KUSHI PRASAD RAI** W/o Sri Nandaan Mohan, R/at Flat No. 261, 6th Floor, Rajanigandha Block, Garden Apts, Opp Shell Petrol Station, Vittal Mallya Road, Near UB City, Bengaluru-560001, have changed my name from **KUSHI PRASAD RAI** to **KUSSHI RAI**, vide affidavit dated 28-06-2023 before Notary **C.V. Earappa,** Bengaluru.

CHANGE OF NAME

I, **SHEELA .A,** W/o Yesupatham, age 49 years, R/at No. 19, Krishnappa Layout, Near Banaswadi Railway Station, Bengaluru-560 084 do hereby declare that I have changed my name from **SATYAKALA .A** to **SHEELA .A,** henceforth I shall be known and called as **SHEELA .A** only for all purposes, vide affidavit dated 27th June 2023, sworn before Notary **S.I. BALAGURU** at Bangalore.

CHANGE OF NAME

I, **CHINNAMMA,** W/o Sri. Chikkarangappa R/o: No.715, 1st Main Road, 2nd Cross, Attur Layout, Bangalore - 560 064 have changed my name from **CHINNAMMA** to **LAKKAMMA,** Vide affidavit dated 28.06.2023 sworn to before Notary Public G.P. CHAYA, Bengaluru.

CHANGE OF NAME

I, **REBEKKA JOSEPH**, aged 57 years, residing of No. 19, Mariya Nilaya, 5th Cross, Chamundeshwarinagara, Devarachikkanahalli, Bengaluru-560068, have changed my name to **RABEKA J.** vide affidavit dated 27-06-2023 sworn before Notary **H.S. SAKALESH ARADHYA,** BENGALURU.

CHANGE OF NAME

I, P. V. Ramana Reddy, aged about 46 years, S/o Sri.P.Konda Reddy, residing at No.72, near SDA High School, Kalanagar, K.G.Halli, Bengaluru-560 015, have changed my son's name from **POLAMREDDY VENKATA SAI HANVITH REDDY** to **P.V.S.HANVITH REDDY,** vide affidavit dated 28/6/2023 sworn to before K.C. Chowde Gowda advocate and notary Bangalore.

CHANGE OF NAME

I, **Punitha.M,** W/o.Sri. Vinesh Reddy.H, aged about 31 years, residing at #322, Flat 101, 1st Floor, Padmalaya, 5th B Cross, 4th Main Road, OMBR Layout, Banaswadi, Bangalore-560043. Hereby declare that, I have changed my minor Son's (date of birth: 04.12.2020) name from **'Hanish Vinesh Reddy'** to **"Krithvik Skanda"** Vide Affidavit dated:22/6/2023. Sworn before Advocate and Notary G.Dayananda, Bangalore.

CHANGE OF NAME

I, **MANDAPATI SRUJANI** W/o Mr. Jampana Mouli Varma R/o: 24, Manchanahalli Village, Near NITTE Meenakshi College, Yelahanka, Bangalore - 560064, have changed my name from **MANDAPATI SRUJANI** to **JAMPANA SRUJANI,** Vide affidavit dated 27.06.2023 sworn to before Notary Public G.P. CHAYA, Bengaluru.

CHANGE OF NAME

I, **SUHAS KULKARNI** (Aadhaar No.8838 7639 4994), aged 36 years, S/o, RP Kulkarni residing at No. A-109, "SKANDASHRI PARADISE, ITI Layout, 3rd stage, Opposite Gopalan Arcade Mall, Nayandahalli, Mysore Road, Bengaluru-560039, hereby declare that my names **SUHAS RAVINDRA KULKARNI and SUHAS KULKARNI** belongs to one and the same person, vide affidavit dated 27-06-2023 sworn to before notary S.R. Thulasikrishna, Bangalore

CHANGE OF NAME

I, **SRINANDAN MOHAN** S/o K. N. Mohan, R/at Flat No. 261, 6th Floor, Rajanigandha Block, Garden Apts, Opp Shell Petrol Station, Vittal Mallya Road, Near UB City, Bengaluru-560001, have changed my name from **SRINANDAN MOHAN** to **SRI NANDAAN MOHAN,** vide affidavit dated 28-06-2023 before Notary **C.V. Earappa,** Bengaluru.

CHANGE OF NAME

I, **NEELAVATHI MUTHUKOORI,** W/o. Late Nagarathnam Muthukoori, residing at #48/1, 7th Main, N E Layout, G M Palya, New Thippasandra Post, Bengaluru, have changed my name from **NEELAVATHI MUTHUKOORI** to **NEELAVATHY MUTHUKOORI**, vide affidavit dated: 28/06/2023 before Notary **Gangaraju.B.N,** Bengaluru.

CHANGE OF NAME

I, **KORAMANGALA CHANDRAPPA REDDY MADHUMOHANA** (New Name), Aged about 55 years, W/o. Mr. Ravishankar Reddy, residing at No.84, Jigani Hobli, Hulimangala, Jigani, Anekal, Bengaluru– 560105, Karnataka, India, that I have changed my name from **MADHUMOHANA (Old Name)** to **KORAMANGALA CHANDRAPPA REDDY MADHUMOHANA (New Name),** henceforth I shall be known and called as **KORAMANGALA CHANDRAPPA REDDY MADHUMOHANA (New Name)** only for all purpose, vide Affidavit dated : 27/06/2023, before Notary Hegde Ganapati Venkatraman, Bangalore.

CHANGE OF NAME

I, P. Saravanan, S/o. Mr. V. Palani, Aged about 45 years, Hindu, residing at No.977, 9th Cross, 3rd Main, Near Rajkumar Road, Prakash Nagar, Bengaluru-560 021, have changed my name from **Saravana. P** to **P. Saravanan,** vide affidavit dated 27/6/2023 sworn to before M.S.Satish advocate and notary Bangalore.

CHANGE OF NAME

I, **Smt. Gloria Thomas** W/o. Late. Mathew M.M, aged about 64 years, R/at No.62, Joyous Abode, Singena Agrahara Road Gulimangala, Behind Brokefield High School, Daadys Dollar Town, E. City, Bangalore-560100. Hereby declare that, I have changed my name from **'Gloria Thomas Mathew'** to **"Gloria Thomas"** Vide Affidavit Dated:27/6/2023. Sworn before Advocate and Notary Harisha.G, Bangalore.

CHANGE OF NAME

I, **ROHIT RAVINDRAN** (DOB: 19.11.1986) S/o Mr. Vatassery Palliyal Ravindran, Resident of : Venkat Wings Royal, Flat No.119, Block-D, Shivanahalli, Nehru Nagar, Jakkur Road, Next to VDB Residential Complex, Jakkur Lake, Yelahanka Old Town, Bengaluru - 560 064, have changed my name from **ROHIT RAVINDRAN** to **ROHIT JAYASHEKHAR RAVINDRAN,** Vide affidavit dated 27.06.2023 sworn to before Notary Public G.P. CHAYA, Bengaluru.

CHANGE OF NAME

I, **VINAYAK, resident of NO. 301, GOLDEN HABITAT, 7th MAIN ROAD, JAYANAGAR 2nd BLOCK, BENGALURU 560011 have changed my name to VINAYAK BHIMSEN HEMADRI** vide affidavit dated 26.06.2023 sworn before Advocate and Notary B.M. Chandrasheakar, Bangalore

CHANGE OF NAME

I, **DEEYA,** residing at #304 S S Castle, 6th E Cross, Opposite Friends Bakery, Kaggadasapura, VTC: Bangalore North PO: C.V Raman Nagar, Pin Code 560093 have changed my name as **"DEEYA UPADHYAYA"**, vide affidavit dated 28/06/2023, before notary **M. Rajendra.**

CHANGE OF NAME

We, 1) **Nirmala M,** 2, **Mahendra Kumar,** both residing at No. 18, Bafan Bhavan, N.S. Iyengar Steet, Behind Seshadripuram College, Bengaluru-560 020, Karnataka since 2018, do hereby declare that **NIRMALA M D/o Loom Chand** would be henceforth be known as **NIRMALA M. W/o Mahendra Kumar,** vide affidavit dated 27-10-2022, sworn before Advocate and Notary **VANI .G.K,** at Bangalore.

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PLAYING A LEAD ROLE AT 70 SEEMS LIKE A NEW BEGINNING: BIRADAR

The veteran actor talks about his 500th film, coming from a theatre background, playing several roles, and his lifetime commitment with the silver screen

A SHARADHAA

AGE does not define Vijanath Biradar's timeless talent. The 70-year-old veteran exudes the energy and enthusiasm of a fresher eager to showcase his skills. Known for his character roles, Biradar is now excited to take on the lead role in the film *90 Bidi Manig Nadi*. The senior actor, who personally took part in promotional activities, reflects on his theater days, his poster-pasting phase, and engaging with people. "At 70, most people look for an end, but as an actor, it feels like a new beginning," states Biradar, emphasising the importance of hard work, discipline, respect, and punctuality.

Directed by Nagaraj Arehole and Umesh Badaradinni, *90 Bidi Manig Nadi* features Biradar as an agarbatti seller and aims to shed light on the impact of alcoholism and its consequences on a family. "The film carries a powerful message about the value of being human and the responsibilities we have towards ourselves and others," says the actor as he explains the film's theme. He also recalls a challenging dance sequence that he believes he has pulled it off.

Biradar reminisces about his early career, starting with a blink-and-miss role in the film *Bara* along with Anant Nag. However, it was in 1985, with the film *Shankanaada*, that he embarked on his full-time journey as an artist. With over 500 films to his credit, Biradar acknowledges his roots in theater and the versatility he has displayed across various characters. While many of his roles featured him as a drunk person, Biradar credits the directors for recognising his ability to do justice to such roles, which contributed to his popularity.

Despite the accolades and support from the audience and the film industry, Biradar remains humble and eager to explore new territories. "Having been part of 500 film, I still feel there's more to do. I aspire to portray a variety of roles that require experimentation," says the actor, who believes 'Cinema' is like a guru, and he approaches it as a devoted student. "I feel time will offer the best opportunities on the silver screen."

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Kaatera, a film featuring Challenging Star Darshan, includes Biradar in a pivotal role. Recently, the makers unveiled a character poster featuring the senior actor recnetly. While Biradar has chosen to remain tight-lipped about the specifics of his role, he expresses his delight in collaborating with Darshan in the Tharun Sudhir Kishore directorial. Biradar shares, "I had the opportunity to work with Darshan's father, Thoogudeepa Srinivas, and now it gives me immense pleasure to work with his son. I must mention that Darshan is a respectful individual when it comes to taking care of senior actors. On set, he ensures my well-being, makes me feel comfortable, and even enjoys a cup of tea with me." The actor reveals that there are still a few portions of his role left to be filmed and that he promises to share more details as the release date draws nearer.

Diganth plays a crucial role in *Hostel Hudugaru Bekagiddare*

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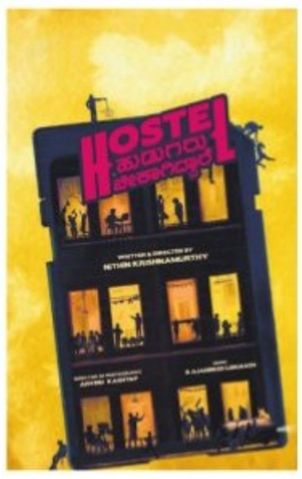
HOSTEL Hudugaru Bekagiddare, the much-awaited directorial debut of writer-director Nithin Krishnamurthy, has been garnering immense attention. This youthful entertainer, which is turning out to be a star-studded affair, had its first spot in the limelight when the late Puneeth Rajkumar came in support of the project. Presented by Rakshit Shetty's Paramvah Studio, this youthful entertainer features appearances by Rishab Shetty, Ramya, Shine Shetty, Sathish Neenasam, and Pawan Kumar. The latest celebrity to join this cast is Diganth, who will be seen playing a crucial role.

While the makers have kept the details surrounding his character under wraps, the first look of the actor is expected to be out on July 7.



Hostel Hudugaru Bekagiddare, produced under the Gulmohar Films banner in association with Varrun Studios, has Arvind Kashyap as the cinematographer and Ajaneesh Lokanth as the music composer. Notably, the film showcases the introduction of 100 fresh faces, with Nithin Krishnamurthy having auditioned around 7,000 artists for the roles. The makers are looking for a July release.

Kangana Ranaut and Sandeep Singh to team up

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ACTOR and filmmaker Kangana Ranaut and producer Sandeep Singh will be collaborating for a film, which is yet to be titled.

While the actor did not reveal much about the film, Kangana wrote on Twitter, "Sandeep and I have been friends for over thirteen years and wanting to do a film for a long time. Now since we have found the right subject and the role we are all set to roll soon, it is going to be the biggest film of my career and a fantastic role, further details will be announced soon."

Mentioning that he has been wanting to work with Kangana, Sandeep said, "The films I offered her earlier did not match up to her calibre as an actress. Thus, I waited for the right one to come my way. It was a challenge to find a good script keeping Kangana's acting prowess in mind. Now, I have a meaty subject that only she can do, so I instantly got in touch with her. And this time she could not say no." The film is expected to go on floors early next year.

Rishab Shetty honoured with 'World's Greatest Kannadiga 2023' award at Paramount Theatre, Washington City

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ACTOR-filmmaker Rishab Shetty was recently honoured with the 'World's Greatest Kannadiga - 2023' award at Seattle's prestigious Paramount Theatre in Washington, USA. The award was presented by the Sahyadri Kannada Sangha and the Kannadigas of Washington State, lead by Manu Gaurav. Rishab was accompanied by his wife Pragati Shetty at the event.

Senator Dr Derek Trusford graced the occasion, acknowledging the significant contributions of Kannadigas to the USA and Washington. Rishab Shetty's movie *Kantara* was praised as a universal film during the event.

The historic Paramount Theater, known for hosting notable personalities such as former US President Barack Obama, hosted the grand ceremony, which was attended by more than 1,800 Kannadigas. Rishab Shetty received a gold-plated trophy at the event.

Rishab Shetty along with wife, Pragathi Shetty receiving the trophy

NAMASTHE GHOST ADOPTS INNOVATIVE APPROACH TO CAPTIVATE AUDIENCES

Bharath Nanda's directorial is aiming for a July 14 release, and was screened to 6,000 college students in a special show

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IN the era of digital dominance, attracting audiences to the theater is a formidable challenge. However, the creators of *Namasthe Ghost* have devised a fresh and effective strategy to overcome this obstacle. Directed by Bharat Nanda, who also portrays the lead role, this horror comedy is set to release on July 14.

Recognising the power of positive word-of-mouth, the team has screened the film to approximately 6,000 college students before its official release. By leveraging the students' potential to generate buzz among their peers, the team aimed to expand the film's audience base. To intensify anticipation, a distinctive trailer was unveiled, focusing solely on the genuine reactions of these college students.

Speaking about this innovative approach, Bharat explains, "There has been a significant decline in theatre attendance, especially for newcomers and small-budget movies. It is a growing concern in the current cinema industry. Despite the release of over 200-300 movies each year, only a handful gain recognition. This makes it challenging for aspiring producers, creators, writers, and technicians to sustain their passion." He further elaborates, "We approached more than 30 colleges and previewed the movie for free in their auditoriums, engaging with over 6,000 students. The response was tremendous. We not only rekindled the joy of communal viewing but also raised awareness about the industry's current situation. The trailer showcases the love, responses, and encouragement we received from the students, lecturers, and principals we encountered on this journey."

Namasthe Ghost centers around the perils of wearing earphones in public and traffic zones, and blends this social issue with elements of horror. The protagonist, Shiva, is haunted by a recurring dream every day. In his quest to unravel the mystery behind the dream, he embarks on a perilous journey involving a spirited game, leading to unexpected challenges.

In addition to Bharat Nanda, the cast of *Namasthe Ghost* includes Vidya Raj, Bala Rajawadi, Shivakumar Aradhya, Shivamogga Harish, and others. The film is produced by Ramesh Kumar, under Chirayu Creative Cinema. While Yadunandan has composed the music, Vinay Kumar has edited the film.

A still from the film